THE WEATHER TODAY
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Merry Christmas

WASHINGTON CEASES WORK FOR HOLIDAY

President Officially Starts Activities by Turning Switch to Light "National Xmas Tree"

NEW YORK HAPPY

Ghetto, Little Italy, Greenwich Village and Other Sections Hold Old-Country Festivities

Washington, Dec. 24. — Christmas in Washington finds governmental activities almost entirely suspended, and President and Mrs. Coolidge participating actively in the capital's observance of the holiday.

The chief executive himself formally started the city's observance at 5 o'clock tonight by turning a switch which lighted thousands of lights on the big "national Christmas tree" erected south of the White House. Later in the evening the President and Mrs. Coolidge threw open the gates of the White House grounds for thousands to gather there to sing Christmas carols. The Coolidges tomorrow will attend a union Christmas service of the city's churches.

Activities in the government dedepartments ceased at noon. The thousands of clerks were dismissed for a half-holiday and cabinet members left their offices to return Wednesday morning. Mr. Coolidge, however, worked through the afternoon at his desk, leaving only when the time came to turn on the Christmas tree lights.

Choir Sings Carols.

Only about half of the members of the cabinet will spend Christmas day in Washington. Those include Secretaries Hughes, Hoover, Weeks and Denby, Attorney General Daugherty and Postmaster General New. Secretary Mellon has gone to his home in Pittsburgh; Secrtary Davis to his fathers home in Sharon, Pa., and Secretary Work to Evanston, Ill., to be with his daughter. Secretary Wallace will spend the day in Washington.

The "national tree," a fine 60-foot spruce, will be the center of celebrations nightly during holiday week. From its illumination tonight the choir of Epiphany Episcopal church, accompanied by a brass quartet of the Marine band, began a program of Christmas carols. At its conclusion, the Marine band gave a Christmas concert.

New York Has Many Parties.

New York, Dec. 24.—Santa Claus parked his reindeer somewhere up north tonight and trod his weary way through the snowless streets of New York city with such a load of festal generosity that the metropolis seldom had seen.

The city celebrated mightily. The financial district was extraordinarily generous with holiday bonuses. Charitable organizations reported receiving record-breaking contributions and the spirit of Christmas was permitted to enter cheerless homes where the name of Santa had meant only a forlorn hope to thousands of destitutes.

Multitudes of festal lights along Broadway burst into play over unprecedented crowds of holiday visitors from out of town. Throughout the city, especially in tenement districts where on other nights only an occasional gas lamp dispels the gloom, glowed strings of vari-colored electrics. Every important park and public square had its community Christmas tree.

Millions Leave Metropolis.

Block parties seemed in progress everywhere. Each nationality whose little village comprises the vast lower East Side, had one. The Ghetto had its celebration; so did Little Italy and Chinatown, and Chelsea, and Greenwich Village and Old Madrid and the Bowery.

Shrines that seemed to have been lifted from crossroad places of worship in the old countries appeared as though by magic on congested corners among the teamsters, each with its replica of the Christ and the crucifixion, banked with flowers and diffusing a bright radiance from many candles.

The New York Central reported that fully 1,000,000 persons had left the city on its lines during the holidays. It took 669 trains or 6,011 cars to handle Saturday's outbound travel alone. Fully another million passed through the Pennsylvania terminal to trains of that line and the Long Island railroad to spend the holidays with the home folks.

NATIONAL GUARD MAN DIES

New York, Dec. 24.—Dr. William G. LeBoutillier, chief medical officer of the New York National guard, died of pneumonia at his home at Long Lake in the Adirondacks, it was learned today. He had been associated with the state military organization since 1902 when he joined the staff of Major General Charles E. Roe. From 1916 to 1919 he was acting surgeon general of the United States army.

DELAY WAR CLAIM ACTION

Constantinople, Dec. 24.—The Turkish and American delegates who have been discussing the question of indemnities due American citizens for war damages, today signed the protocol of an agreement stipulating that six months after ratification of the Lausanne treaty a commission consisting Turkish and American delegates shall be formed to examine into the claims.

BRITAIN HAS PRE-WAR XMAS CELEBRATION

English Discard Newspapers and Worries of Own and Other People's Affairs for Time Being

ACTIVITIES IN HOME

Few Will Be on Streets After Church Services—Trams and Busses to Cease—Only Few Trains

(By the Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 24.—The peace that mankind knew in the quiet contented years before the war, came back to Britian tonight to make a merry Christmas for the subjects of King George. All over this land men tossed aside their evening papers with a gesture that was significant, for with the crumpled pages cast to one side went for the time all interest the Briton takes in the worries and wrangles of other men and other nations.

What the far-away peoples are doing or not doing—these things matter not to the average Englishman from tea time this morning until the country starts slowly back to work Thursday morning. From now until then news is nothing and happiness at home is everything to those who inhabit this mystic, chilly chip of the old block of Europe.

For the next two days England will live by turkeys not by trade or treaties. Plum pudding and pork will soothe the tongues that only a few days ago talked hotly about protection; many a wassail bowl and loving cup will be filled and there a mug of ale drunk down, not to mention "wee dochs-an-doris"—the stirrup cup of Scotland, Ireland and England alike.

London Will Be Quiet.

Most of this merry making takes place inside the homes. Only a few stragglers and strangers will walk wet pavements of Londontown tonight and there will be fewer tomorrow, once the church services have ended.

There will be no newspapers, and from the mid-afternoon onwards no trams or busses to break the Christmas quiet of the streets. Wednesday is known as Boxing day, and the Yuletide peace will still remain unbroken by business or the shouts of newsbodys. Even the steam trains will keep up only meager service to meet the imperative demands of the few.

It will not be as merry a Christmas as England knew in the mellow, untroubled years that preceded the war, but surely it will be the most generally enjoyable Yuletide since that great clash of arms. There are 250,000 fewer unemployed tonight than on the last Christmas eve, this week's register listing 1,270,100 jobless persons in the United Kingdom or almost 1,000,000 less than the ebb month of June, 1921. For another thing, turkeys are the cheapest in years, the market being overstocked.

RAISULI, BANDIT LEADER, NOT DEAD; IS IMPROVING

(By the Associated Press.)

Tangier, Dec. 24.—It is officially stated that contrary to the report of his death, Raisuli, the Moroccan bandit leader, still is alive and in an improving condition.

The Tangier correspondent of a London newspaper last week reported the death of Raisuli and stated that it was believed he was poisoned. A Tangier message the next day said the report was not credited in official and military circles but that it was known that Raisuli had been ill with dropsy.

Moors arriving at Gibraltar from Tangier last Saturday lent color to the report by declaring that the bandit leader had died on Wednesday and was buried the following day.

CUTTING OF CHRISTMAS TREES NOT ALL WASTE

Washington, Dec. 24.—The 10,000,000 Christmas trees which shed their radiance in American homes tonight represent $2,500,000 put into the hands of farmers and others who cut them, and as much more for the distributors, it is estimated by the National Lumber Manufacturers' association research bureau. Although the cutting of trees is an economic waste in some respects, the member association said some of it was necessary thinning of young forests, that many of the trees came from regular tree crops grown for the purpose and that others were from pastures or cut-over lands where they were likely to fall victims to brush fires.

REVOLUTIONARY PLOT IN EUROPE

Spain and Portugal Planned by Communist Leaders as Theatre of Activity

(By the Associated Press)

Madrid, Dec. 24. — The military directorate issued an official note today announcing that it was informed by the director general of security that Communist elements had prepared a revolutionary movement to start simultaneously in Portugal and Spain on December 23 of this year, and that necessary measures had been taken to prevent its realization.

All police chiefs in Spain have been instructed to keep careful watch of all extremist activities. Important work has already been achieved by the authorities, according to the official announcement, assuring frustration of the Communist plans.

The leaders in the conspiracy at Bilbao and in Asturias have been arrested. A long list of those taken into custody is given, and it would appear that most of the leaders have either been apprehended or are under close surveillance. Important documents are also said to have been seized.

The Spanish minister in Lisbon, at the instance of his government, has informed the Portugese government of the discovery of the plot, and it is expected that the Portuguese authorities will give their full cooperation to the Spanish government.

CHICAGO HAS MANY GIFTS, NO SNOW

Santa's Pack Worth $20,000,000 More Than It Was Last Year

Chicago, Dec. 24. — Santa Claus came to Chicago tonight with a $20,000,000 pack and broke out its usual mantle of white to [illegible] holiday throngs.

Chicago shoppers for the only time in history, according to merchants, bought their gifts early. While the shopping district, including Michigan avenue and State street, was clogged with the usual last-minute throng until late tonight, merchants said that the peak of shopping was reached last Tuesday.

The estimate of $80,000,000 spent for Christmas gifts in Chicago this year compares with $70,000,000 last year.

"DINTY" MOORE, AIR MAIL PILOT, DIES OF INJURIES

Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 24.—James F. "Dinty" Moore, 27, pilot of an air mail plane, died today in a hospital at Burns, Wyo., 30 miles east of this place, from injuries received when his plane crashed near Burns. Moore was flying from North Platte, Neb., to Cheyenne.

Moore was caught in a 30-mile-an-hour wind. Members of a section crew said Moore was flying at a low altitude due to the poor visibility. The plane suddenly nosed downward and crashed to the earth, they reported. Moore suffered a broken back and his chest was crushed.

He was regarded as one of the best pilots in the mail service. He lived at North Platte, Neb. A widow and one child survive.

DIXMUDE SIGHTED BUT FAILS TO MAKE LANDING

(By the Associated Press.)

Toulon, France, Dec. 24.—The dirigible Dixmude, which has been sailing for many hours over Tunis apparently in fruitless search for a landing place, was sighted at 6 o'clock tonight in the Tatahouin region and later further inland. The headlights of the airship were lit and the craft seemed to be under control.

The wireless station continues to send messages, but the Dixmude does not reply.

FOUND DEAD IN ROAD.

Corning, Dec. 24. — Considerable mystery surrounds the death of William Cornell, 63, of Tioga, Pa., near here, who was found dead along the Tioga highway after being struck supposedly by a car last night. Ernest Miller of Corning, who was found in his car near the scene, was a witness today at the inquest at Tioga.

SEVEN ASSISTS CONVICT.

Auburn, Dec. 24.—On Christmas eve convict No. 40,000 enters Auburn prison. It has been more than 15 years since No. 30,000 was recorded. Since records have been kept here 40,000 unfortunates have entered the gray walls to do penance for crime. No. 40,000 comes from Syracuse. No. 32,030 entered June 12, 1908. Convict No. 1 entered Auburn prison in 1816.

JUMPS TO DEATH.

New York, Dec. 24. — Benjamin Adler, a shoe manufacturer, jumped to death today from the fifth floor of his south Ninth avenue factory. Members of his family said he had been worried about his business.

The Daily Star, its editors and publishers extend to all patrons and all readers heartiest Christmas Greetings and good cheer for the Holiday Season.

DISMISS CHARGES AGAINST CANNON

Wisconsin Grand Jury Quashes Indictments Against Baseball Union Organizer

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 24.—Two indictments returned by the county grand jury last spring against Attorney Raymond J. Cannon, organizer of the Baseball Players' union, charging him with obtaining money by false pretenses and bribery were dismissed in municipal court today on request of Francis E. McGovern, special prosecutor.

Cannon was accused in one indictment of bribing former District Attorney Winfred C. Zabel with a case of imported champagne. The indictment charged that the champagne was given the former prosecutor to swerve his opinion and action in a case in which a new trial was to be requested for a prisoner serving a three-year-term in the house of correction.

Will Not Drop Case.

Cannon was charged in another indictment with obtaining $400 from each of two men charged with statutory offenses. He was accused of obtaining money by representations which were said to be false.

Attorney Cannon when asked about the case then said:

"The case against me was backed by the National and American leagues. Charles A. Comiskey's private secretary acted as special prosecutor. The action was brought with the view of jeopardizing and killing any effort in behalf of the Baseball Players' union. I will not agree to the quashing of these indictments and will insist that the case be heard in order that the facts may be brought out in their true light and that the public may see just who is behind these indictments."

PRAYS FORGIVENESS OF CHURCH VANDALS

Thieves Desecrate Altar of Church — Partly Destroy Monstrance

New York, Dec. 24. — A prayer for forgiveness of vandals who desecrated the altar of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic church in Brooklyn during last night was offered at mass today by Monsignour Patrick F. O'Hara, priest of the parish.

When he entered the edifice to prepare for the early mass, the priest found the altar cloths partly destroyed and the monstrance, a massive golden urn used in the ministration of the mass, was missing. The priest's vestments also had been torn by the vandals.

The sexton, searching the building, later found the monstrance in the furnace, much damaged. It appeared, he said, to have been thrown to the basement floor in an effort to smash it and this failing, it had been hidden in the furnace.

The Day In Washington

President Coolidge granted Christmas pardons and commutations to 11 men.

Washington bootleg scandal developed to a point where a sweeping inquiry into the charges of liquor drinking in high places is threatened.

The department of agriculture announced that agriculture imports exceeded imports for the first time in history during the last fiscal year.

Reconfirmation of the nominations of Frederick I. Thompson and Earl E. Sheary as members of the shipping board was indicated after White House conferences.

The state department made public the text of the article in the Soviet organ, Izvestia, which acknowledged the close bonds between the Soviet regime and the Communist International.

FOX MAKES MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL

Convicted Slayer of Klan Attorney Under Sentence of Life Imprisonment

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 24.—While Mrs. Margaret Weaver, under indictment charging accessory before the fact, in connection with the killing of William S. Coburn by Phillip E. Fox, was being held in a cell at police headquarters here today, Fox, the convicted slayer, through his attorneys, filed a statutory motion for a new trial. Hearing on the new motion was set for early in March.

Fox, a former editor of the Imperial Nighthawk, official organ of the Ku Klux Klan, is now under sentence of life imprisonment after having been convicted here last Friday of murder growing out of the death of Coburn, a Klan attorney. The prisoner will be held in the Fulton county jail pending outcome of the hearing on the motion for a new trial.

Mrs. Weaver's name was linked with that of Fox during the nine-day trial of the Fox case. The solicitor general's office today stated that she will be placed on trial "sometime in January."

The woman, according to the solicitor general's office, was with Fox the day he shot Coburn.

VENIZELOS SEEKS MORE INFORMATION

Asks for Data Concerning Deputies and Voters Throughout Greece

Athens, Dec. 24. — Eliptherios Venizelos, the former Greek premier, who is now in Paris, has requested Colonel Plastaris, head of the revolutionary committee, to transmit to him immediately the following particulars relating to the political situation in Greece.

1st—The number and full names of the deputies claimed by the Republicans, Liberals and Liberal Republicans.

2nd—The number of votes they received in each province and the number of people who voted.

3rd—The number of registered voters in each province and how many of them are refugees.

4th—The number of people voting in each province in 1920 elections.

"If all these details can not be answered at once," Venizelos message adds, "please send an immediate reply to my first question."

PRIZE WINNING PEACE PLAN SUBMITTED TO BOK

New York, Dec. 24.—The prize-winning plan in Edward W. Bok's $100,000 American peace award contest was presented by Mr. Bok today by Elihu Root, chairman of the jury of award. Mr. Bok came here from Philadelphia to read the plan and to transmit it to the policy committee of the contest.

The author will receive $50,000 at once, but his name will not be disclosed until his peace proposal can be submitted to a referendum of the American people, through the press, churches, clubs and postoffices beginning January 7.

If the plan wins public approval, its author will receive another $50,000 and his name will be made known.

DRIVER OF BAKERY WAGON KILLED BY THREE GUNMEN

Cleveland, Dec. 24.—John Rau, 54, driver of a bakery wagon, was shot to death in an attempted holdup late today by three gunmen, who escaped in a stolen car.

The leader of the three gunmen, already suspected of half a dozen robberies and now sought for murder, is the man the state pardon board ordered released last June from the Mansfield reformatory, after he had served only 25 days as a parole violator, police say.

CLERKS TO APPEAL DECISION.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 24. — Immediate appeal will be taken from the decision of Federal Judge Dickinson, Philadelphia, who held that a federal court has no power to enforce the decision of the United States Railroad Labor board, it was announced today by E. H. Fitzgerald, grand president of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employes. The question at issue, Mr. Fitzgerald said, was the right of employes of the Pennsylvania railroad to select their own representatives to deal with the management, under provisions of the transportation act.

WORK TRAIN SIDESWIPED

Cincinnati, Dec. 24.—A score of men were hurt today when a work train in which they were riding was sideswiped by a ditch digging engine in the West Sharon yards of the Big Four railroad near Sharonville, Ohio. Most of the victims were only slightly hurt and none is believed to have suffered serious injury.

GERMAN VIEWS ON IMPORTANT ISSUES AIRED

Charge d'Affaires Hands Long Memorandum to Pres. Poincare of France Detailing German Viewpoints

TERMS WITHHELD

Strong Impression That Germany Wants Customs Barriers Removed; Desires Hand in Currency Reform

(By the Associated Press.)

Paris, Dec. 24.— Herr Von Hoesch, the German charge d'affaires, delivered to Premier Poincare this evening a 10-page typewritten memorandum setting forth in detail the German viewpoint on the following questions:

The economic relations between the occupied and unoccupied territories, the dues levied, entry into occupied territory, currency of the Rheinish-Westphalian bank, navigation of the Rhine, railroad traffic and questions bearing on the general administration and internal legislation of the occupied territory.

Herr Von Hoesch read over the document to M. Poincare, who interrupted several times with a request that the German charge explain the exact bearing of certain passages. At the conclusion the premier said he reserved his answer until he should make a careful examination of the note in all its aspects. He will get in touch with M. Jaspar, the Belgium, minister, tomorrow so that a uniform reply may be made.

Berlin Wants Officials Back.

[illegible] economic and administrative questions arising out of the occupation of the Ruhr and mentioned in no way the general problem of reparations.

Although the exact terms of the memorandum are withheld, the present impression in authorized circles is that Germany's object is to seek to have the customs barrier removed from between the unoccupied and occupied territory and the dues on everything entering unoccupied territory from the occupied zones, except foodstuffs, abolished. Germany also wishes to have a hand in any solution of the currency question that may be attempted and to be represented in the organization of the Rheinish-Westphalian bank.

The German government asks for the reinstatement of the expelled officials and the recall of German railroad hands and river boatmen, with the object of intensifying traffic both on land and on the waterways.

128 CAUGHT IN LIQUOR RAID TO BE ARRAIGNED IN MARCH

Chicago, Dec. 24. — One hundred and twenty persons, arrested as a result of the combing of Williamson county for alleged liquor law violations, will be arraigned in Danville, March 3, Gus J. Simons of Pittsburgh, divisional chief of general agents, announced tonight.

A special assistant United States district attorney will be appointed to conduct the prosecution, according to Simons, who organized the raids, and two federal agents who assisted him, told a story of how 450 farmers, business men and miners took oath as deputy sheriff agents and deputy sheriffs and then raided seven towns simultaneously.

PULLMAN HAS XMAS SPIRIT.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Those forced by circumstances to spend Christmas eve in a Pullman car were not without Christmas greetings, the Pullman company announced, tonight. The Pullman conductors tomorrow morning will hand every man, woman and child when they get up, a Christmas greeting card showing Santa Claus peering from the upper berth of a Pullman sleeper.

SANTA FIRES WHISKERS LIGHTING A CIGARETTE

Vineyard Haven, Mass., Dec. 24.—Little folks in this section of Martha's Vineyard went to bed tonight with grave misgivings. Today Santa Claus, who had held forth to the last amusement and pleasure of the little ones before a department store for several days, attempted to smoke a cigarette and in lighting it set fire to his white beard. The last the admiring youngsters saw of Santa he was heading for the waterfront. However, Santa, whose other name is Raymond Baptiste, was caught by some men on the street who put the fire out and took him to a hospital for treatment for serious burns.

LIQUOR LISTS OF WASHINGTON STILL MISSING

Much Interest Manifest Because of High Officials' Names Said to Be Listed With Bootlegger

DROP RAID CASE

Polish Legation Attache Produces Papers to Show He Obtain-Liquor in Legitimate Manner

Washington, Dec. 24.—The question of immunity extending to liquors suspected by the police of being the supplies of bootleggers but claimed as the property of diplomats, developed as an issue today in the scandal which has resulted from a police raid conducted here last week.

Although naming no federal officials, Commissioner Oyster of the District of Columbia police declared he had asked "authorities" to explain why $50,000 worth of liquor located by the police in the basement of an apartment building during the raid, but claimed by a member of the diplomatic corps, could not be seized. As a result of the intervention of the officials of the foreign legation the liquor actually taken into custody in the case amounts to 15 quarts seized in an automobile.

At the same time there were indications of a sweeping inquiry being undertaken into frequent charges of liquor drinking in high places, while the disappearance of a list of many hundred customers taken during the raid resulted in demands for an explanation. The district attorney's office is interested in the list with the view of prosecuting those whose names appear on it and the demands for an inquiry are expected to be reflected on the floor of congress after the holiday.

Missing List of Interest.

Commissioner Oyster declared today seizure of the liquor for which diplomatic immunity is claimed was important to the police. It was not removed from the apartment basement, pending investigation by the state department, after Jan Wesolowski, first secretary of the Polish legation, had been arrested on charges that he had produced liquor during the raid and had been obtained through the regular channels provided under the law.

With the showing of the permits, there were indications that both the state department and the legation regarded the incident closed.

Interest in the missing list of customers is the more intense because the names have been declared by some of the alleged bootleggers under arrest to include several prominent men in governmental and society circles in the capital.

PROPER MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE AGAINST AUTHORT

Corning, Dec. 24. — A charge of manslaughter against John Hollingsworth of Corning was pending today resulting from an accident Saturday night in which Frank Errington, 75, of Caton, was fatally injured when struck by Rodrigues' car. He died last night from a fractured skull. Rodrigues is held on a third degree assault charge under $1,000 bail.

Police investigating the accident at the home of Rodrigues discovered 25 gallons of alleged whiskey, some mash and a still in operation, but no charge has been placed against him as yet in this case. Action is expected, however, by federal authorities.

POST OFFICES KEEP CLEAR DESPITE HEAVY BUSINESS

Washington, Dec. 24.—One of Santa Claus' principal servitors, the postal service, reported tonight "All's well."

Christmas gifts had been mailed earlier this year than ever before and as a result post offices throughout the country will be practically clear of all packages by noon tomorrow and postal workers will enjoy the well-earned half-holiday ordered by Postmaster General New.

All sections of the country have reported increased volume of Christmas mail ranging from five to more than 30 per cent over last year.

INNOCENT BYSTANDER SHOT DEAD BY QUARRELING PAIR

Greenville, Tenn., Dec. 24. — One man is dead and two are wounded as a result of a shooting affray in Greene county Sunday afternoon. John Biddle died this morning and Lorenzo Norton and Joe Shelton are in a hospital here.

It is said the shooting was a result of a quarrel which developed when Norton accused Shelton of reporting him to prohibition officers for bootlegging. Biddle was an innocent bystander, it was said, and was struck by a stray bullet.

D. & H. WOULD QUIT BRANCH.

Washington, Dec. 24. — The Delaware and Hudson railroad asked the Interstate Commerce commission today for permission to abandon a 37 mile branch line in New York extending from Canada Junction to a connection with the Grand Trunk railroad on the Canadian border.

Sports of 1923

By FEG MURRAY

Wishing You a Merry Christmas

Dear Santa Claus: Please give me a real ball club so's I can win a pennant like I used to back in 1912, '14, '15, '16 and '18.

Hubfully yours,
The Bean-Eating City of Boston.

Dead old Santa: Please give a good little girl a chance to beat Suzanne Lenglen some time this year. I want to, so much, and I'll try my best to make a not-temperamental tennis champion. Wilfully,
Helen of Berkley.

Mr. S. Claus:

Dear Sir: Please give me back my amateur standing for Christmas so I can compete for my country in the coming Olympic games. I take back all that I said about the A. A. U. and will even apologize (if given enough publicity).

Yours truly,
Charley Paddock.

P. S.: The A. A. U.'s are a bunch of boobs, though, aren't they?

Dear Santa: I don't need anything for Xmas—all I want is for you to get rid of an old alley cat that's been bothering my game. Can you eliminate her for me? They call her "Stymie." Sincerely,
American Golfer.

P. S.: Please replace the turf.

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Auto Dollar of Today Buys More Than It Did 10 Years Ago

Based on the 1913 dollar as a standard, it is possible to get more automobile value for the money today than it had ten year. ago.

When one takes the average prices of automobiles, gasoline and tires, it is found that these automotive products cost less today than before the war even though the purchasing power of the dollar in general has shrunk considerably.

Today one can purchase 111 cents worth of automobile, 161 cents' worth of gasoline and 121 cents' worth of tires with his 1913 dollar.

This fact, in the opinion of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, which has compiled figures from the records of various governmental and private statistical groups, is one important reason for the great activity in automobile buying.

Better highways and the general need for motor transportation account for a large share of the increase in motor vehicle registration, but this has been further augmented, the industry feels, by the fact that the public realizes that a dollar will buy more in motor products than in most other lines.

Furthermore the current models of motor vehicles and the present type of tires are far better than ten years ago even at the lower prices prevailing today.

The pre-war dollar is worth only 61 cents today in the general cost of living. It is worth but 51.8 cents in clothing, 55.5 cents in food and 61.2 cents in rent.

The automobile industry has met the pressure of higher labor and materials and taxation expenditure by the economies of large scale production, reducing prices, in the confidence that the public would respond to exceptional value.

The output of 4,000,000 vehicles this year, 50 per cent ahead of any preceding year, has justified that confidence.

Some people are geniuses. One occasionally finds a cook who can make perfect desserts without Baker's Certified Flavoring extracts. Sold by all good grocers. advt 8t

Ira S. Sweet, practical horsesetter, at the Windsor, Oneonta, January 7; National hotel, Norwich, January 8. advt 1mo

Fine job printing at Herald office.

POSSIBLE NEW U. S. TERRITORY

To Separate First Judicial District From the Rest of Alaska.

Washington—The possibility of the United States having a new territory presents itself by the announcement that the proposal to separate the First judicial district from the rest of Alaska received a majority vote in the November territorial elections.

"Alaska, in the minds of most citizens of the United States, is a country of mountains, mines and snow, similar throughout. However, that section which recently has voted to become a separate territory is separated from the rest of Alaska by a wall of ice no living man has crossed," explains a bulletin from the National Geographic society.

"How would the map of Alaska be changed by the formation of a new territory?

"Land Tail" of 600 Miles.

Alaska presents a great square block, wedged cornerwise between North America and Siberia, obstructing an open channel of the Pacific ocean to the North pole. On the southernmost corner of the square block is a tail of land extending down the coast in the direction of Seattle. It runs southward for 600 miles from the longitude boundary between Alaska proper and Canada. This section reaches back from the coast to the watershed of the Canadian Rockies, a distance varying from 50 to 150 miles. It is known as the First judicial district, or the Juneau district.

"Of the four judicial districts of Alaska the first has the largest population of white men and in most respects outranks the others, although the Third division, along the southern reaches of the peninsula, looms larger in many important commercial factors. Of four Alaskan cities which had a population of more than 1,000 in 1920, Juneau, Ketchikan and Sitka, the former capital of Alaska, are located in the First division while Fairbanks, which has a population only one-fifth as great as the combined populations of Juneau and Ketchikan, is located on the Tanana river, in the Fourth judicial district.

Ice Separates Districts.

"The wall of ice which separates lower Alaska from upper Alaska is made up of hundreds of glaciers moving down the steep sides of the Rocky mountains which tower above the Inland passage. This passage is an arm of the sea, forming a breakwater between the ocean and the mainland. So ruggedly mountainous and wild is this section of the coast, particularly between Skagway and the Copper river section in the Third judicial district, that no explorer has traveled by land entirely over American territory from Juneau or Skagway to the other district.

"Wire communication between the two parts of Alaska is maintained by submarine cable and by a telegraph line through Canada down the Yukon valley, but physical communication is either by boat across the Gulf of Alaska or through the Skagway gate to the Yukon and thence to central Alaska. Even the shortest journey from Juneau to Seward takes all of two days, a longer trip than from New York to Kansas City.

"Population distribution bears upon the recommendation of the Alaska citizens of the First judicial district. The whole territory has now a population of 60,000, half of which are natives. Lower Alaska claims 17,000 of this total, but it has 12,000 whites to 5,000 natives. Juneau in lower Alaska is the present capital of the territory and the residence of the governor.

"The conception that Alaska is a country of mountains is as erroneous as the conception that it is as cold as Greenland. At Juneau the temperature seldom goes below zero.

Heat Prostrations in Alaska.

"At Fairbanks, which is in the same latitude as Iceland, three men were prostrated by the heat last summer. Fairbanks is the center of a great section which would surprise the individual who expected only mountains in Alaska. Away from the south coast, the country back of the barrier of mountain ranges stretches broadly as a great inland plateau, rolling gently north to the reaches of the Bering sea. Tanana and Fairbanks are centers of a growing agricultural region which is having considerable success in producing quick-growing crops. The big inland plain is inhabited chiefly by huge herds of reindeer guarded by native owners.

"Most of the minerals for which Alaska is noted—gold, silver and copper—are found in both upper and lower Alaska. The Juneau district produces three times as much gold as the rest of Alaska and it has some of the great copper mines of the country. A further contrast between the two sections is found in shipping statistics: while 1,835 ships cleared at the fishing port of Ketchikan, only 369 clearings were reported for all other Alaskan ports in 1922.

"Lower Alaska has been the objective of most of the tourists who visit the American 'Switzerland.' The magnificent scenery of the inland passage focused much interest, but with the completion of the great Tanana river bridge on the Seward-Fairbanks railroad this past year, many visitors are pushing on across the Gulf of Alaska to see the beauties and wonders of the interior as did the late President Harding and his party."

Why Babies Cry.

Millions of dollars are said to have a financial burden of fifty cold dollars upon every baby born in England and some way goes if—it isn't why babies cry so much. Doubtless it is in those cases where the mother pays so much tax that sufficient food and comfortable clothing for the baby must be foregone.

LITTLE LESSONS IN Big Sports

BASKETBALL

What diet precautions should be taken by the basketball player?

Answered by
G. W. A. BAHN

Coach, Dartmouth College, where he has been successful in turning out fast, fighting teams.

Simple, sane, diet precautions are all that are necessary. They can be reduced to a simple formula like this:

Do not eat pork, veal, or pastry.
Do not drink tea, coffee, ice water.
Tobacco, of course, is taboo.

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What sort of signals should a basketball team use and who should give them?

Answered by
EARL WIGHT

Coach University of California, the "stage gem" of West Coast basketball. Originator of many new plays and formations which teams throughout the country have adopted.

The noise of the bleachers makes it practically imperative that a system of silent signals be used in basketball. Physical positions seem to be the most practical for all conditions of competition. To be successful, a system of signals based upon physical positions must be sufficiently natural as to attract no undue attention, be sufficiently distinct as to be readily seen by the other four players, be capable of being given by a moving player.

Either forward or the center should be able to give the signals. These three players should be constantly giving signals with a predetermination as to the one giving official signals.

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Gathering Seaweed.

Seaweed from which high-class food gelatin is made is now gathered along the Lower California coast under from one to ten fathoms of water by deep-sea divers equipped with improved diving apparatus.

It's a Fact.

Bad eyesight is often the cause of criminality, in the opinion of an expert. Yes, some poor fellows have such bad eyes that it is almost impossible for them to tell your property from their own.

Strength of Mind.

Artemus Ward used to say that he had a gigantic intellect, but "at the time he didn't happen to have it with him." Which is much like common sense. One may have plenty of it, without the strength of mind to use it.

Swivel Neck.

When the man in the street has to look upward to escape the airplane and sideways to escape the automobile, then will the swivel neck develop—along the lines laid down by Darwin.

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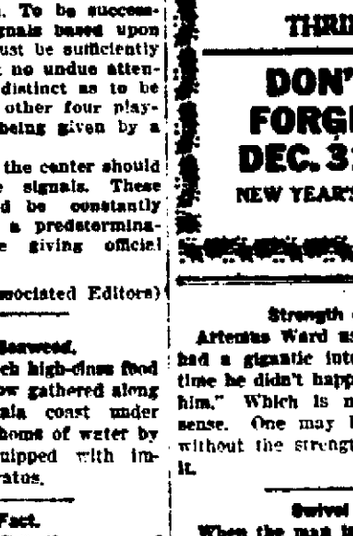

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IN THE BUTTERNUT VALLEY

Louisville Grange at Morris Elects Officers for 1924.

Morris, Dec. 24. — The following officers of Louisville grange were elected at a recent meeting for the ensuing year:

Master—Henry Chase.
Overseer—Charles Light.
Steward—Merton Littlewood.
Lecturer—Florence Bailey.
Chaplain—Mrs. N. J. Ellis.
Assistant Steward—Ralph Aplin.
Lady Assistant—Blanche Ellis.
Secretary—M. B. Gifford.
Treasurer—Alton Littlewood.
Gate Keeper—O. G. Eaton.
Pomona—Mrs. Henry Chase.
Ceres—Mrs. Charles Light.
Flora—Mrs. A. G. Eaton.

Hillington Chapter.

At a meeting of Hillington chapter, No. 224, R. A. M., held at Masonic hall, Dec. 11th, the following officers were elected:

High Priest—Henry Washbon.
King—Edward Southern.
Scribe—Lee Starr.
Secretary—E. C. Miller.
Treasurer—George Whitman.
C. H.—Frank Hay.
P. A. C.—Earl Southern.
Past Scribe—M. L. Bridged.
Master Third Veil—A. Z. Carleton.
Master Second Veil—Fred Southern.
Master First Veil—F. H. Isbell.

Tianuderrah Lodge, F. & A. M.

The following officers of Tianuderrah lodge, F. & A. M., were elected at a recent meeting held at Masonic hall, for the ensuing year:

Master—W. W. Sanderson.
Senior Warden—George Mansfield.
Junior Warden—Henry R. Washbon.
Secretary—Scott E. Gage.
Treasurer—George Whitman.
Tiler—Frank H. Isbell.

The rest of the officers are appointed and they have not been so appointed at this writing.

Quite Ill.

Mrs. Frederick G. Leonard has been confined to her bed the past week with quite a severe illness. She is under the care of Dr. Hall.

Home for the Holidays.

Miss Ethel Winton, a teacher in the Montclair, N. J., schools, is spending her holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lysander Winton at their home on Lake street.

In Morris for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson of Brooklyn, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bridges of Liberty and Maurice Bridges from the University of Pennsylvania, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Bridges. Maurice Bridges remains until Jan. 2.

New Fire Alarm.

A new electric siren whistle was placed on the Town hall last week, to be used for fire alarms.

Improved in Health.

Mrs. Ann Pickering returned to her home here from Rochester last week, where she has been visiting a few weeks, much improved in health.

Returned from Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Linn returned last week from an extended visit in the North Woods.

Visiting His Daughter.

Asa Card is spending some time with his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karney, at Schenectady.

West for the Winter.

David Hillsinger started last Thursday for Minnesota and the Dakotas, where he will visit his son and expects to spend the winter in the west. Mrs. Hillsinger is now visiting in the vicinity of Albany and expects to go west later.

Radio Installed.

Floyd Eckler has had a radio set installed in his residence corner North Broad and Water streets.

Masonic Ball.

The Morris Masons will have a dance on New Year's eve, Monday evening, Dec. 31, at the Parish house. Good music. Dancing from 9 till 2 o'clock. Round and square dances. Lunch served by the Eastern Stars.

Returned Home.

Mrs. Floyd Eckler and little baby returned to her home in Morris last Wednesday from the hospital at Oneonta.

At Teachers' Conference.

All of our school teachers were in Oneonta last Thursday and Friday in attendance at the Teachers' conference.

Has New Ford Car.

Albert H. Nichols is driving a new Ford sedan and seems to take lots of comfort with it.

Picking Pansies.

It isn't very often at this time of year, Dec. 23, in this part of the country, that you can pick pansies and see rosebuds almost ready to burst forth, but it is a fact. Mrs. R. R. Ripley reports picking pansies on Friday last and on Sunday.

ON CANADARAGO LAKE.

Schuyler Lake Masonic Lodge Elects Officers for Ensuing Year.

Schuyler Lake, Dec. 24. — At the last regular communication of Schuyler Lake lodge, No. 162, F. and A. M., held Wednesday evening, the following were elected and appointed for the coming year: W. M., E. Kieth Cushman; S. W., Robert Holbrook; J. W., Lynn Perkins; S. D., Arnold James; J. D., Olcott Fay; Tyler, Edward Simmonds; S. M. C., George Randall; J. M. C., Fred Wooster; marshal, George Flansburg; chaplin, E. F. Washburn; secretary, Edward Monroe; treasurer, George Rider, trustee, Jesse Ellsworth.

Sudden Death.

Mrs. James Brady of Angel Hill passed away suddenly early Tuesday morning, December 18. She had been in poor health for some time and retired as usual, but when her husband awoke in the morning and spoke to her it was found she had passed peacefully away. She leaves to mourn her death, besides the husband mentioned, three sons, Frances and Paul, who reside at home, and John, who lives in Utica, and two daughters, Rina, at home, and Mrs. William Carson of West Winfield. The funeral was held Friday morning at Richfield Springs.

New Lights.

Charles Heiland has had his house and henhouse wired for electric lights. Emerson Winters also had his henhouse wired. M. J. Clark has had his house on Church street, which he has had repaired, wired; and Fred Wooster has also had his house wired.

Former Resident Ill.

Mrs. George Flansburg and Miss Margaret Bliss received a telegram one day last week saying that their brother, Volney Bliss, was seriously ill at Pensocola, Fla. Later word was received that he was better. He was a former Schuyler Lake boy and his many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Frank Weeks Dead.

Frank Weeks of Utica, a commercial traveler and well known among the business men here and throughout Otsego county, fell over dead in his auto while out riding with his wife one day last week. His many friends regret to learn of his death for he has traveled through here for the past 25 years, first for the firm of Johnson & Murray, later for Austin & Nichols.

Home for Christmas.

Joseph Allen of Union college, Philip Allen of Albany Medical college, Beatrice Lidell of Cornell, Marie Miller and Ashlyn Huyck of Syracuse university, Edgar McDougal of Bliss Electrical School, Washington, D. C.; Norman Eaton of Penn, Miss Anna Kapes of Albany City hospital, G. Glenn Mercer of Penn, Garrie Bausch of Syracuse, Miss Elizabeth Bausch of Schenectady, Aplin Morey of Oneonta Normal.

Personals.

Mr. and Mrs. William Watson of Ilion, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kelly of Frankfort were recent guests at George Kidder's.—Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Flansburg spent the week-end at her parental home at Cherry Valley.—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Chase, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roberts were business callers at Utica one day last week.—Miss Grace Lefferts, who has been spending several months at New York city and Sanford, Conn., has returned to spend the winter with Mrs. A. Lathrop. — Mr. and Mrs. Frances Huyck have moved from their farm on Angel Hill to their newly finished rooms in the store building. — Mrs. Fred Chamberlin, Sr., is at Schuyler Junction caring for Mrs. Allie Dyer, whom we hear is gaining slowly.—Hobart Brainard is visiting his granddaughters at Walton and Binghamton for a few weeks.—Fayette Allen was a business caller at Utica and Frankfort a few days last week.—Earl Rose, we are very sorry to report, is not so well at this writing.—Mr. and Mrs. William J. Ainslie of Twelve Thousand spent Sunday at E. F. Washburn's. — Mrs. Mattie Goodenough, from the West, spent a few days recently with her cousin, Mrs. Melvin Horton.—Miss Katherine Brandow of VanHornsville spent last week with her sister, Mrs. John Huyck.—Miss Gertrude Spafford of Hartwick spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in town. — Orlando Sutherland of New Hartford, Conn., is spending the holidays at George Flansburg's.—Mr. and Mrs. Olcott Fay went Sunday to Utica to stay until after Christmas with her parens, Mr. and Mrs. J. Schaub.—Miss Esther Schaub is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents at Utica.

BUDGET FROM UNADILLA

Old Gristmill at Crookerville Sold and Will Be Dismantled.

Unadilla, Dec. 24. — The old grist mill on the south side of the Susquehana river, and nearly opposite Unadilla village is one of the oldest buildings in the little hamlet of Crookerville. When farmers raised their own grain and took it to mill to have it ground for home use, this was one of the best and most prosperous in the country. Farmers brought their grain from many miles away, as distance would be measured when oxen and later horses, drew the loads. Of recent years and the changes time has brought, its usefulness passed.

The New York State Gas and Electric company, the recent owners, have sold the building to Louis Fuller of Sidney, who is having it taken down, will take the lumber to Hillcrest and reconstruct it into poultry houses.

Death of Mrs. Mary Clark.

Mrs. Mary Clark, who for many years lived on Adams street, died in Syracuse, Saturday, Dec. 22. Undertaker Fred J. Joyce went to that city for the body, and the funeral was held

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'Woman-Proof'

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Delaware County News

JUMPS FROM WINDOW

Francis Bulloss of Stamford Attempts Suicide—James Hurley Dead—Special Stamford Election January 9.

Stamford, Dec. 24.—Sunday afternoon between one and two o'clock, while demented, Francis Bulloss, residing with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Wilson, in the Pierce building, Railroad avenue, attempted suicide by jumping from a second story window of the building. He struck the ground in the alleyway below, a distance of about 25 feet, fracturing his hip. Mr. Bulloss has been acting queer for some time and threatening to take his life and although he was watched by members of the family, he eluded their care and committed the rash act. The Wilson family moved here recently from Harpersfield.

Death of James Hurley.

James Hurley, a well known resident, died at the home of Thomas Murphy near Stamford at 1 o'clock Monday morning, aged 69 years. He is survived by a son, Clyde Hurley of Oneonta, and two brothers, John of Otego and George of Yonkers. The funeral will be held at Sacred Heart church, Stamford, Wednesday, December 26, at 9:30. Interment at Delhi.

Nurse Resigns Position.

Miss Julia Grant of this village, who for the past two years has been head nurse at the Delaware county sanitarium near Delhi, has resigned her position and intends to soon go to Boston, where she will take a special course in public nursing.

John Hanford Buys Residence.

John Hanford has purchased of Mrs. Esther Kendall the house and lot on Delaware street near Kendall place, formerly the property of the late Rev. L. E. Richards. The house has been remodeled and has all modern improvements.

Stamford Brevities.

E. A. Kelsey has had the porch of his Main street residence inclosed in glass, making a neat and cozy sunparlor. He also recently installed an automatic electric air pump in his garage to use in inflating tires.—John Shew has completed rebuilding a portion of his Main Street garage with concrete blocks, making a big improvement. He plans to rebuild another portion later.—C. B. Grant's ice house, situated in the rear of the Stamford grocery, has been razed by F. H. Churchill, who purchased the lumber.—A large modern plate glass front has been installed the past week in the new addition to the front of Stamford National bank. Workmen are now engaged in finishing the interior. —To accommodate the large amount of mail matter a mail car was run Sunday on the U. & D. railroad and Stamford postoffice did a rushing business, which was well taken care of by Postmaster George O. Leonard and his efficient force of clerks.—Several extra telegraph operators are employed on the U. & D. railroad since the installing of the block system. Several stations are now closed on Sunday, including Davenport Center, South Kortright, Grand Hotel and Pine Hill. — Dressed turkeys are selling in the Stamford market at 55 cents a pound—Stamford town tax rate for 1923 is $16.44 per thousand and the highway tax which is levied only on property outside of corporate villages is $4.97 per thousand.—The Ladies' guild of Grace Episcopal church realized $8[illegible] from a Christmas sale held at the Village library.—The annual church dinner, roll call and election of officers will be held at the Baptist church, beginning at 10:30 a. m. Friday, January 4, 1924, with address.—Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hanford are spending the winter at DeLand, Fla.

Special Election January 9.

The board of trustees of Stamford village held an important meeting Saturday evening, the full board being in attendance, viz.: President, R. S. Welch; trustees, S. D. Mase and Dr. Ralph Kipp. A petition signed by 22 taxpayers was presented to the board requesting that the village acquire the property, rights and franchise of the Stamford Water company by condemnation proceedings and asking that a special election be held for the taxpayers to vote on the proposition.

The board pursuant to such petition has called a special election to be held Wednesday, January 9, when three resolutions will be submitted to the voters for the following purposes.

Authorizing the village to acquire the property, rights and franchise of Stamford Water company by condemnation proceedings.

Authorizing the village to sell Stamford opera house for a sum not less than $10,000.

To increase the number of village trustees from two to four to be elected at the annual village election.

DELHI NEWS LETTER

Mild December Weather — Miss Etta Palmer of Hobart Dies.

Delhi, Dec. 24.—Those who have kept tab on the temperature during the fall and thus far this winter report that the two coldest nights we have had were in October. This has indeed been a very unusual December for mild weather.

Vesper Service Well Attended.

The Second Presbyterian church was thronged Sunday afternoon for the four o'clock Vesper service in spite of drizzling rain which prevailed. The service was, of course, largely musical and a leading thought of the service was of music as an expression of worship. Violin solos by Miss Fern Finch of Sidney, a flute solo by Howard Graham, and vocal solos by Clyde Wyer and the Misses Frances Ace

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Sincere Good Wishes

If there's anything in this old world you want we hope you get it.

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NEWS ALWAYS NEW.

What is the news? is a question often asked and often with greater or less degree of satisfaction answered; and every era, perhaps from the dawn of history has had some great thing to which we looking backward can with a degree of assurance point. There is the flight of Moses and the Israelites from Egypt, there is the battle of Thermopylae, the building of the pyramids, the discovery of the New World, the American Revolution, the invention of the steam engine, of the telegraph, precursor of all the wire and wireless methods of communication and transportation to follow after; the abolition of human slavery, and closest at hand, there was the World war—a few only of the things of great events which once were news.

In one fashion or another made known, and in one way or another set down for future remembrance, the importance of each of them has come less to be appreciated as the years have gone by. Even those nearest lose in a brief period their sharpness of outline and are received with equanimity. The pyramids are for idle speculation. King John and the English barons at Runnymede are theme for historic study. Columbus and his discovery inspire no great enthusiasm, steam and electricity are accepted complacently, as are motor vehicles on earth, in the sky and under the seas. Even the last great conflict fails to hold that place in the emotions which five years ago was predicted. The world, in fact, goes on; and ever its quest is for something new.

There is one event, however, which stands unique in world history, and which is as definitely in the human mind as it was nineteen hundred years ago. It is that event which long before predicted, was by angels heralded, which brought the wise men from the East and bore the shepherds to their knees beneath the clear radiance of the star. It is the birth of Christ—the birth of the King.

Surely is was wonderful—this advent of one who was and is the Great Teacher, the Great Preacher and the Redeemer of Mankind; and the greater marvel is that there has been no lessening of the wonder, faith and [illegible] shepherds on the hills of Bethlehem, is none to millions of those born into the faith every year, and they with the countless other millions who earlier caught the vision, are candles lighted to illumine the world. The news of the birthday of the Christ, the tidings of the coming of the Prince of Peace — they were new things in Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago, they are new things each year to every soul which comes into the kingdom; and for this reason the day never loses its significance. Other great things of earth may be forgotten, but so long as humanity endures upon this aging planet, so long will the day of the Advent bring anew "glad tidings of great joy!"

$25,000 VERDICT REVERSED.

O. & W. Railroad Wins Point in Ralph Oles Action.

The United States circuit court of appeals, in New York city, on December 17, handed down a decision reversing a verdict of $25,000 awarded April 27, by Judge Rondy and jury in United States district court, to Ralph R. Oles of 126 Linden avenue, Middletown, in his suit against the New York, Ontario & Western railroad.

Mr. Oles, who was a trainman in the employ of the railroad, was run over by a locomotive early in the morning of October 6, 1922, at Mountaindale, resulting in the amputation of his right leg below the knee. It is understood that the appeal was on the ground that the award was excessive.

THE GUIDE POST—BY HENRY VAN DYKE

THE LITTLE PRESENT

Silver and gold have I none; but what I have, that give I thee.—Acts 3:6.

The little present, or the rare and long-wished-for gift, it matters not whether the vessel be of gold, or silver, or iron, or wood, or clay, or just a small bit of birch bark folded into a cupt, may carry a message some think like this.

"I am thinking of you today, because it is Christmas, and I wish you happiness.

"And tomorrow, because it will be the day after Christmas I shall still wish you happiness; and so on, clear through the year.

I may not be able to tell you about it every day, because I may be far away; or because both of us may be very busy; or perhaps because I cannot even afford to pay the postage on so many letters, or find the time to write them.

"But that makes no difference. The thought and the wish will be just the same.

[illegible] I mean to try not to be unfair or injure you in any way.

[illegible] pleasure, if we can be together, I would like to share the fun.

[illegible] joy or success comes to [illegible] I am glad.

[illegible] sincerely, will to you in what I [illegible] the Spirit of Christmas."

[illegible] by The Republic [illegible]

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY

America and Bolshevism.

The American people ought to realize what the proposals of the recognition of Bolshevist Russia, which will be made in the next congress really involve. Recognition means giving moral and material support not merely to a government of the Russian people, but to the Red International, which is controlled by the men who are the government we are asked to recognize. If we wish to help the great agency of Red revolution to do its mischief throughout the world, including the United States, let us do so with our eyes open.—[Chicago Tribune.

For Our Taxes.

What do we get for our taxes? Do we get a dollar's worth of service for every dollar we pay? That is the question for the taxpayer to ask. It is the question that those charged with the spending of taxes must answer. The amount of taxes we pay becomes comparatively unimportant if we get in return from each dollar a dollar's worth of that which we as individuals or as a community require for our welfare. Taxes might be double what they are and yet fully worth it.—[Illinois State Journal.

Baldwin Takes a Chance.

Premier Baldwin of Great Britain is in like position with the man who had a catamount by the tail and, while very much perturbed by that fact, did not dare to let go. So, in spite of his Tory minority, as against any coalition of the Liberals and Laborites, he declares he will hold to his job and see what happens.—[Boston Post.

The Grandstand and Bench.

That is a sensible decision which the New England Association of College Presidents reached at Springfield a few days ago. Heretofore, college baseball coaches have not only developed players but, sitting on the bench, have directed the play. Hereafter it is proposed that they sit in the grandstand, and that the two captains be leaders in fact, as they have been in name. Technically, it is to be expected, college baseball performances will suffer. The players themselves will be the gainers.—[Boston Herald.

College Course in Gambling.

Ohio State college conducts a miniature stock pit on the campus of the college where the students put over deals rivaling those of the New York stock exchange. At the end of the day the students balance up their transactions and keep accurate accounts of their profits and losses. Those who make the most money during the quarter year receive the highest marks in the course. Recently two students "cleaned up" $70,000.—[Boston News Bureau.

Even Experts Might Help.

We have our moments of depression about congress when we hardly think that it will get any more actual work done or get it done any better than if its entire membership were composed of efficiency experts.—[Ohio State Journal.

The Mexican Uprising.

After a recess of quite unusual length, Mexico has again been called to disorder.—[Anaconda Standard.

Former Margaretville Man.

The formation of the law firm of Reed, Jenkins, Dimmick & Finnegan is announced, their law practice to be continued after January 1, 1924, at 14 Liberty street, New York city. The members are William Dike Reed, Murray G. Jenkins, William W. Dimmick and George J. Finnegan. Mr. Dimmick is well and favorably known in Delaware county as an attorney, being a former Margaretville man.

That Body of Yours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

DO YOU USE A CRUTCH?

If you were asked that question, you'd ask the questioner just what was wrong with his eyes.

The use of a crutch with a sprained ankle or similar other leg condition is justified of course.

But when the ankle is better you throw away the crutch, and the ankle gets as strong as before the injury.

I have in mind the crutch so many people use almost daily.

You have something to eat of which you are very fond. You eat [illegible] twice as much as is necessary for your needs. You [illegible] distress, and so a couple of pepsin tablets are taken to allay the pain.

A little later a nasty headache ensues and a couple of pain tablets are at once taken, and as is usual with the big eater, constipation is the customary condition and a purge is taken to clear things away.

Now, one cannot find fault with the pepsin tablets, they are simply helping nature to do a job that she is not perhaps able to do alone.

Nor, with the purgative which is getting rid of an accumulation that would be better out of the system.

In other words they are crutches that you use, as you would an ordinary crutch with the sprained ankle.

But the pity is that you are so unfair to your body in asking it to do things beyond its powers and you try to square matters by securing outside help for it.

Nature in the normal individual does not need outside help. She is well able to the job placed upon her by the Almighty.

But when you eat a meal worthy of a rare man, and then do less work in a day than a five year old child that plays outdoors, you must expect to get a stomach ache.

Now, why not be fair to that body of yours? Nature doesn't demand unreasonable things.

All that you need to do is think about the amount of work or play that you do in a day and eat accordingly.

All that is wrong with the diet habits of most people is that they eat too much.

The variety is usually all right but the excessive amount is the usual cause of trouble.

Not Such a Bad Old World, After All

TWENTY AND THIRTY YEARS AGO

Days of Old Recalled by Items Clipped from The Star Files.

December 25, 1903.

Merry Christmas!

The second trial of Harvey D. Montgomery of Hobart for the murder of his wife, alleged to have been committed at their home near that village on March 30, 1901, will be held in Otsego county instead of Delaware, probably in February. The change in venue has been authorized by Supreme Court Justice Nathan L. Miller of Cortland.

The Woman's Board of Managers of the Fox Memorial hospital has appointed the following committee on decorations for the annual charity ball: Mrs. L. C. Gurney, chairman; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whipple, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Gurney, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lewis, Mrs. Frank D. Miller, [illegible] man, Miss Slade, E. H. Pardee.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen has installed the following officers: P. M. W., J. L. Pope; M. W., E. E. Gilbert; F., W. H. Gardner; O., F. D. Doolittle; financier, W. W. Darbee; receiver, George Franklin; recorder, F. W. Price; trustee, F. Dykeman; G., Charles Adams; I. W., Frank Fairchild; O. W., H. H. Decker; delegate to grand lodge, F. W. Price; alternate, J. B. Galor.

December 25, 1893.

Merry Christmas!

Doyle & Smith, the Broad street cigar firm, will move this week into the new factory recently erected by Lewis & Wilson on Mechanic street.

The Oneonta Street Railway company has elected the following officers: President, George I. Wilber; vice president, D. F. Wilber; secretary and treasurer, T. D. Talmadge, Jr.; directors, George I. Wilber, D. F. Wilber, N. N. Bull, David Whipple, Reuben Reynolds, T. A. Norton and I. Goldsmith.

At the meeting of the Wheel club recently it was voted to close at once a lease for a plot of ground on the plateau near the Pines on which to construct a real course. Work will be commenced in the early spring and Oneonta is sure to have a track that will attract many riders. Oneonta being about half way and on the direct line between Albany and Binghamton, there is every reason to believe that many noted riders will pedal over our new track.

Button, Who's Got the Button?

On and after January 1, 1924, a hunter will be required to wear a button in a conspicuous place on his clothing while hunting or carrying any wild animals, fowls or birds. [illegible] hunting and trapping licenses on his person, will mean the forfeiture of the license if caught by a game protector. Another new law provides for the licensing of every person who engages in guiding in the forest preserve counties, and forbids them to carry firearms while thus engaged. This act takes effect the first of next year.

New Barber Shop in Schenevus.

On Monday, December 10, I will open an up-to-date barber shop in Hotel Potter, Schenevus, and will be prepared to do all kinds of work pertaining to the profession. A share of your patronage is solicited. Harold Ulmann. 6od 2w

NATIVE OF JEFFERSON

Herschel V. Jones, Son of Old Schoharie, Attains Wealth and Honor.

How a young man succeeded in business and in newspaper work is told by James H. McCullough in a leading article in the January American magazine.

The subject of the story is Herschel V. Jones, who grew to young manhood in the village of Jefferson in Schoharie county and began his newspaper career as publisher of the Jefferson Courier.

It is a story of ambition, determination and success for today Mr. Jones is the editor and publisher of the leading newspaper of the northwest, the Minneapolis Journal, which he purchased a few years ago for $1,000,000.

At 22, soon after leaving Jefferson Mr. Jones worked on the city newspaper he now owns at $15 a week but, says Mr. Jones:

"I did not then, and do not now, consider salary of [illegible] dollars a week to a young man. All that he ought to have — and I mean this literally — is enough to house and feed him comfortably. If he has more it is likely to turn his attention away from the question which is most important to him while he is young, that is: Does the job he holds lead in the right direction?"

A full-page picture of Mr. Jones is carried with the magazine story of one of America's successful business and professional men.

Mr. Jones is a frequent visitor at the home of his birth and boyhood days, where his wife's mother, Mrs. Lydia W. Wilcox, widow of the late Attorney Moses S. Wilcox and her sister, Mrs. Lois B. Smart, reside.

Sixty Thousand Increase.

It is probable that nearly all the seventeen national banks in Delaware county will go upon a four per cent basis, although there may be a few exceptions.

The bank reports under the comptroller's roll call of September 14, 1923, show aggregate time deposits of over $6,000,000 dollars in the county. An increase of one per cent in the interest rate on time deposits would mean an annual increase of $60,000 in the interest paid depositors on this sum.—[Walton Reporter.

Boys Paper in Kansas.

Harry Baxter, formerly of Walton, lately employed in the government printing office at Washington, has purchased the Madison, Kan. Weekly News. His wife, an experienced newspaper woman, will have charge of the editorial end of the business and Mr. Baxter, a linotype operator, will look after the mechanical part. Mr. Baxter is a son of Dennis B. [illegible]

No Star Wednesday.

To give all The Star force a holiday to enjoy to the fullest the festivities of this Christmas Day, and following its long established custom, no Star will be issued Wednesday morning.

Fresh and fragrant from the roaster, Kingsbury coffee stands supreme. Order a pound from your grocer today. advt

To rent—Flat, six rooms and bath. All improvements. Call 501-W after 5:30 p. m. advt tf

Christmas day the Cooperstown [illegible] will run on it's regular Sunday schedule. advt tf.

INJURED WHILE HUNTING.

Ray Lawrence Shoots Self Through Leg—Now in Fox Hospital.

Ray Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Lawrence of Binghamton, sustained a severe gunshot wound in the right leg on Sunday morning at about 11 o'clock and as result of the same is now a patient at the Fox Memorial hospital.

In company with two friends he had come to Otego for a day's rabbit hunting, and while on a farm in that vicinity stepped, with gun cocked, upon the fallen roof of a ruined barn. In some manner he slipped, the hammer of the gun caught and the weapon was discharged. The entire charge passed through the fleshy part of the right leg, about two-thirds of the way from the knee to the hip, tearing out a considerable part of the muscle. Badly as he was injured, young Lawrence, assisted by his companions, walked about a mile, until aid could be secured.

The injured lad was brought to the Fox Memorial hospital, where his wounds were attended to by Drs. Calder and House. His condition is understood to be favorable, and there is every reason to anticipate a good recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, who came immediately to Oneonta on hearing of their son's injury, returned home Monday morning.

When at Yule-tide as folks pause to forget the strife of getting and instinctively turn to the joy of giving, particularly are we grateful for the good bestowed upon us.

Your patronage, and that of others you may have directed our way is remembered. A loyal group of co-workers also has been our good fortune.

Feeling deeply the joy of it all our wish for you is unrestrained, that your Christmas be merry and the New Year rich in the better things of life.

Wyckoff's

Did You Receive Some Christmas Money?

Why not buy yourself a Book that you would have liked to receive on Christmas but did not?

Our Book stock is always amply maintained and you can probably find the volume you want at

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The happier Christmas Day is to you the more pleased we will be.

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Market St. Oneonta

We wish to extend our Christmas wishes to all who have helped us make this year the greatest in our history.

May your Christmas be a merry one and your New Year made up of happy and successful days.

L. E. WILDER & CO.
INCORPORATED

May you have a Merry Christmas Day and a New Year full of Joy

Eugene Leigh Ward

Good Wishes

To our old friends—To our valued new friends and to those whose friendship we strive to deserve, we wish a Merry and Happy Christmas and a most successful New Year.

ONEONTA SALES CO.
R. J. WARREN

Merry Christmas

To those who "insure with Keenan" and to those who do not we extend the greetings of the season.

May the holiday be one of unparalleled joy for you and yours and may the best that life offers be your lot during the coming year.

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LOCAL MENTION

Christmas Day—1923.

More than A Merry Christmas,
More than a glad good time,
More than a heap of treasure
Some folks would call sublime.
More than the years have brought thee,
May this glad day impart,
A fuller comprehension
Of God's love to thy heart.
Then peace that passeth knowledge,
And a wealth of love and joy,
Shall be thy gift to others,
A gift without alloy.
—Willard H. Alger.

Factoryville, Pa.

—The work rooms of the Red Cross in the federal building will not be open until after New Year's day.

—The term of surrogate's court, which regularly would have been held in this city today by Surrogate Sheldon H. Close, will be held on Wednesday.

—City mail carriers will make the morning delivery today, or such part of it as they can complete before noon. There will be no delivery by rural carriers.

—Edward A. Baker of Baker's Garment shop is receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son Friday at Scranton. The young man will be called Edward A. Baker, Jr.

—Sunday school Christmas exercises were held last evening at the River Street Baptist church and the African Methodist church and the programs as found in The Star of Monday were carried out in full.

—Christmas will be celebrated at St. Mary's church today as follows: High mass at 5 a. m. and low masses at 7 a. m. and 9 a. m. and solemn high mass at 10:30 a. m., with Father Noonan and Father Murphy assisted by Father Thomas Sanderson of Saratoga Springs. The benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be given following the latter service.

Attractions at the Theatres.

At both the Palace and Oneonta theatres especially fine attractions have been booked for Christmas presentations. "Zaza," with the delightful star, Gloria Swanson, is the featured attraction on the program today at the Palace theatre and will doubtless prove a big drawing card. At the Oneonta theatre today George Barr McCrutcheon's famous story, "The Man from Brodney's," with a superb cast including J. Warren Kerrigan, hero of "The Covered Wagon," is the big Christmas offering. Both J. Myer Schine and Mr. Lowe, local manager, feel that only the very best photoplays are good enough for holiday attractions for Oneonta theatre patrons. It is announced that every child attending the matinee performances today at the Palace or Oneonta theatre will be presented with a package of candy, a present from the Schine Theatrical Enterprises.

Tuberculosis Clinic Thursday.

The regular monthly tuberculosis clinic will be held at the Community house in this city on Thursday, December 27, from 1 to 5 p. m., with Dr. Winsor as the examining physician.

The clinic is free to all residents of Otsego county. Tuberculosis taken in time is curable and therefore it is most desirable to detect the early case.

Some of the symptoms are persistent cough, spitting of blood, undue fatigue, loss of weight, shortness of breath and night sweats.

Meeting Wednesday.

Regular meeting of the L. O. O. M. at 8 o'clock, Wednesday evening.

Regular meeting of W. B. A. O. T. M., Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock in Odd Fellows' hall. Officers and guards are requested to be present.

No Star Wednesday.

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Pioneer Lunch.

Turkey soup Chicken soup
Roast native turkey, dressing
Roast native duck
Fricassee chicken, hot biscuits
Roast beef
Mashed, boiled or boiled sweet
Celery Cabbage salad
Cranberry sauce Giblet gravy
The choice of pies and ice cream
French pastry Plum pudding
Tea coffee or milk advt 1t

Would you sell your property and take a nearly new car as part payment, or, if you would trade for a nice farm close to the city. H A. C. Lewis, 213 Main street. Phone 288-W. Advt. 3t.

For Sale—Two empty houses, contain nine-rooms and bath, electric lights, furnace, hardwood floors, garage, central. If not sold will rent Square Deal agency, A. R. Silliman. advt 3t

If you have forgotten anything in the flower line we are open for business and will deliver any time this forenoon. Phone 79-W. Derrick's, theatre building. advt 1t.

You can't hate a man for that! A drink of good stuff is hard to find. Make him happy! Order a pound of Otsego coffee today. advt 6t

Two-acre poultry farm, on state road, all level. Will consider trade for city property. Square Deal agency, A. R. Silliman. advt 3t

Dr. G. Luft, Official Eye Examiner for the entire D. & H. railroad. Office hours 9 to 5 daily. Phone 1017-R. advt 1-6 tf

Dancing tonight at Oneonta Dancing Academy. Music by Syncopators. Admission 75 cents. advt 1t.

Poultry wanted—December 27 and 28. Good hens and chickens. Inc. J. H. Potter, 71 Maple street. advt 1t

Lost—Silver mesh bag in front of the Department store. Finder please call 791. advt 1t

Live poultry wanted. A. J. [illegible] phone 315-J. advt 2t

Live lobsters at The [illegible]

CONSERVATION BANQUET

Interesting Program Announced for Annual Conservation Meeting Saturday Evening.

The committee of arrangements announced an excellent program of after-dinner speakers at the annual banquet to be held Saturday evening of this week at 6:30 o'clock at the Elks' home, following the annual meeting of the State Conservation association. The addresses will all be brief—ten minutes or less—and the list of speakers with home address, is as follows:

Greetings from the Land of the Glimmerglass. Supreme Court Justice A. L. Kellogg, Otsego county.

Response from the Visiting Tribes. M. H. Hoover, Lockport, Niagara county.

The Confederacy of Conservation Indians. James C. Brennan, Buffalo, Erie county.

The Federal Wild Life Refuge bill. Congressman S. W. Dempsey, Washington, D. C.

Tips and Taps from Ko-sa-ra-ga (Adirondacks). Hon. R. T. Kenyon, Ausable Forks, Essex county.

State and Federal Co-ordination in Conservation. Congressman J. D. Clarke, Delhi, Delaware county.

The Commission's Right Hand—the Organized Sportsman. Conservation Commissioner Alex. MacDonald, St. Regis Falls, Franklin county.

The Forest Taxation Problem. Hon. E. S. Harris, Schuylerville, Saratoga county.

The Press and its Relation to Conservation. F. A. Wood, The Times-Union, Rochester, Monroe county.

The Most Effective Law Enforcement. Chief Game Protector Leyellyn Legge, Binghamton, Broome county.

Inter-related Interests of Farmers and Sportsmen. Albert Manning, master state grange, Otisville, Orange county.

The Association's Big Child—Allegheny Park. Hon. Fred G. Kaiser, Dunkirk, Chautauqua county.

The banquet will cost the Oneonta Fish, Game & Gun club considerably more than the price of tickets, which is $2.00 each. Therefore all members are requested to pay their $1, 1924 dues, to Assistant Treasurer Ray VanWoert now instead of next month. No one has been suspended for nonpayment of dues; so that any one may put himself in good standing for 1924 by paying the $1 now.

CHRISTMAS SEAL CAMPAIGN

Richfield Springs Completes Quota—Oneonta Lacks Only $230—Springfield Oversubscribed.

Richfield Springs, under the leadership of Mrs. John D. Cary, again has the honor of being the first town in Otsego county to raise its quota in the Christmas Seal campaign. Already $339 has been raised, with many more persons to be heard from. The quota was $325. Springfield Center is a close second in the race to make quotas and has already oversubscribed the stipulated $90. If the sales in Unadilla, Exeter, Cherry Valley and Oneonta continue at the same rate, they will be the next towns to go "over the top." Oneonta has $1,500 of its $1,750 quota.

The total amount raised to date in the entire county is $4,300. There are about 4,000 more letters to be heard from and several more persons to be solicited personally. Returns come in all during January and February.

In looking over the health activities of the various counties and cities of the state, it is interesting to find that the communities that are the most vigorous in fighting the disease and promoting health within their boundaries are the ones that have the larger sales of Christmas Seals. These little health stamps seem to have more than a fund raising value. They carry the Christmas spirit; they educate for health; they inspire to action.

The interest of the people in an active health program seems to be shown by the number of seals they buy. The larger the seal sale in a county, the more vigorous is the tuberculosis campaign that follows—not entirely because more funds are available, but because public interest has been aroused through a campaign that has reached every home.

It might fairly be said that the community that does not sell its quota of the Christmas Seals is below par in the scale of community health. It has been weighed in the balance and found wanting. The Christmas Seal barometer indicates the health ahead and this is confirmed by the mortality and morbidity of statistics, which cannot be disputed.

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NEW CITY OFFICERS

Meeting of Council Thursday Night Last for Several Aldermen—Mayor-Elect Bolton Has Many Appointments to Make.

The adjourned meeting of the Common council to be held Thursday evening will be the last for several of the aldermen. When the council meets early in January a new mayor, W. Irving Bolton, will be in the chair and there will be three new faces among his associates. Albert M. McKenney replaces Mr. Bolton as alderman from the fourth ward. James O. Coy, a former member of the council, succeeds Harold R. France as representative of the second ward and Lewis [illegible] Atwell replaces Clifford R. Morris from the second ward. Clarence Congdon of the first ward and B. C. Lauren of the third ward were re-elected. Clifford R. Tamsett, alderman-elect from the sixth ward, was appointed some weeks ago to complete the unexpired term of Edward F. Deery and hence is not a stranger on the board.

Mayor-elect Bolton will have many appointments to city offices and commissions to make and there has been considerable speculation concerning his probable nominees. Although Judge Bolton is undoubtedly reasonably certain as to the majority of his choices he has given no intimation of his intentions and will probably not do so until the meeting of the council at which he will announce his nominations.

A city attorney, city clerk, police attorney, acting city judge, commissioner of charities and sealer of weights and measures are the city offices which must be filled. The terms of these offices are one year only.

The terms of A. T. Paine and Monroe Jackson on the Board of Public Works terminate and their places must be filled. Charles J. Beams and Dr. David H. Mills are the police commissioners and L. C. Millard and George R. Baird the fire commissioners whose terms expire with the end of the year. Mrs. Arthur Seybolt and Fred N. VanWie are the retiring members of the park commission and B. H. Morris and Hon. Chester A. Miller the members of the health commission whose terms expire.

Alva Seybolt is the only member of the library board whose term ends this year. Appointments to the civil service commission are usually not made at this time but the election of Lee D. VanWoert to the city judgeship has caused his resignation from the commission and his successor must be chosen. Member of the Board of Education are not chosen until May. Mrs. I. S. Dauley and Athur E. Ford are the members of that body whose terms end at that time.

Although Judge Bolton had not made known his intentions it is believed that some of the present incumbents will be reappointed.

If you have forgotten anything in the flower line we are open for business and will deliver any time this forenoon. Phone 79-W. Derrick's, theatre building. advt 1t.

Steadily gaining in popular favor. No one is surprised to learn that Biwa tea is the favorite of thousands of people. You'll like it, too. advt 6t

Christmas dance tonight from 9 to 1 at Oneonta Dancing academy. Admission 75 cents. advt 1t.

992 calls Cook's closed taxi, day or night, long or short trips. advt 16t.

LUTHERAN SCHOOL PROGRAM

Sunday School Department of Lutheran Church to Present Entertainment This Evening.

The Christmas exercises of the Sunday school of the Lutheran church will be held in the church parlors this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Following is the program:

Orchestra
Song—Come Ye Nigh. School
Responsive Reading
Prayer—Pastor
The Committee—Philip Luther
Don't Forget—Ethel Marie Derks
A Port of Christmas Cheer—Donald Price
Song—Tell the Tidings. School
A Wireless Radio—Alfred Horn
A Message from the Stars—Mary Eileen Price
A Christmas Eve Thought — Julia Cummings
Exercise—Primary Boys
Christmas Flower—Virginia Lawson
Wondrous Star—Dorothy Schrader
Solo, Little Star So High—Philip Luther
Christ's Birthday—Beatrice Whit
Christmas Window—Doris Otto
Duet—Ethel Marie Derks and Florence Favlion
Song—Ring Glad Bells. School
Christmas Prayer—Edith Horn
Exercise—Polly's Prescription. Violet Wightman and Grace Slocum
Recitation—Howard Slocum
Little Town of Bethlehem — Grace Buerger
When Christmas Comes—Andrew Favlion
A Boy's Prayer—Cutler Burrell
Song—Primary Department
Grandma's Wish—Ingard Macawickl
Why We Sing—Elmer Luther
Solo—Santa Claus. Violet Weist
Christmas Gifts—Marjorie Schrader
Pretty Story—George Favlion
Song—Hi Star. School
The Christmas Star Shall Lead the Way—Lauville Christiansen
Remarks—Pastor Luther
Offering
Anthem—Choir
Christmas Letters—Virginia Fowler
Your Star and Mine—Esther Christiansen
Exercise—Violet Weist and Margaret Colyer
Closing Song—Have Ye Sought Him—School.

Class of '23 to Banquet.

On Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock at the Palm room at the Elks' home some 40 of the 57 members of the class of '23, Oneonta High school, will gather for a dinner reunion. Warren Pashley, president of the class, will preside at the after-dinner speaking and numerous members of the class are expected to respond and to tell of activities during their first year away from O. H. S. The management has promised one of its best dinners and a jolly good time is anticipated.

Xmas Cantata at West Oneonta.

West Oneonta, Dec. 24.—A Christmas cantata will be held in the Century Baptist church on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock to which the public is cordially invited. A free will offering for Near East relief will be taken at the close of the entertainment.

No Star Wednesday.

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The Same to You and Many of Them

C. R. McCarthy Co.
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Merry Christmas Everybody!

A big flood of good wishes is being broadcasted to you — wishes for the merriest kind of a day — for the happiest and luckiest of New Years — and for everything good that the Gods can send.

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A Merry Christmas .. to All ..

On this day of universal happiness we wish to thank our friends for their patronage : : : : : :

Ours has been the privilege and the opportunity for a service which we sincerely hope has accomplished its mission in bringing unqualified satisfaction : : : : : : : : : : : :

We appreciate the confidence which has been placed in us, and now, on the threshold of the New Year, we dedicate ourselves anew to the continuance of this service, which we trust will continue to grow more inclusive and helpful :

Oneonta Department Store

Split in Episcopal Circles Has Echo in All Religions

By Alexander Herman
NEA Service Staff Writer.

New York, Dec. 21.—Is religion on the eve of a second Protestant Reformation?

Or is the row between the modernist and fundamentalists of the Episcopal church a tempest in a tea-pot that may soon be forgotten?

Millions of church-goers of all creeds are wondering, for it has been nearly 400 years since so clear-cut an issue has cropped up in an organized church.

When it did, it led to a revolt that split the Catholic church and gave birth to Protestantism.

What will it bring about now?

Where John Luther and John Calvin once stood as heads of the modernist movement of the sixteenth century, now stands a group of liberal preachers headed by the Rev. Drs. Leighton Parks, Percy Stickney Grant, William N. Guthrie and Bishop William Lawrence.

And foremost of the fundamentalists, opposing the modernists, stands Bishop William T. Manning of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of New York.

Between them has arisen a series of issues that bear a marked resemblance to the issues that brought on the first Protestant reformation. They involve various interpretations of the Bible, and the prerogatives of higher church dignitaries to act as spokesmen in defining these interpretations.

These issues have been smouldering for a long time. But a sermon of the Rev. Lee W. Heaton, rector of a Fort Worth, Texas, church and the action of his bishop in charging him with heresy, has kindled them into a flame that is spreading across the whole country.

In his preachment on "What Is Truth?" Mr. Heaton said:

"There are those who cling with unquestioning minds to the doctrine of the virgin birth as a statement of physical fact, while others who have been moved to analyze it have discovered in it new spiritual truths.

"There are those among us who believe that Jesus was in all things both God and man; the incarnation of God and the son of Joseph. This is my own opinion."

For expressing such views, charges of heresy were brought against Rev. Heaton; and he is now awaiting trial before an ecclesiastic court.

It was not the first time the virgin birth doctrine had been flouted.

The Rev. Walter Russell Bowie, rector of Grace church of New York, has taken practically the same view as the Rev. Heaton. And Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts has been called the center of the modernist group on account of his views.

The Rev. Dr. Percy Stickney Grant denounced the virgin birth many times. In a sermon last January he said that Jesus did not possess equal powers with God, that His miracles can be explained by science; that consecration of churches is a custom inherited from the age of witchcraft; that the clergy is a suppressed, chained profession, whose members speak their minds outside the pulpit, never in it.

Bishop Manning "fanning at that time served an ultimatum that Grant must recant, resign and submit to a trial for heresy. But Dr. Grant didn't resign or recant; and Bishop Manning never had him brought to trial for heresy.

But when the charges against Heaton were actually brought, a storm of protest arose from the ranks of the modernists. This gathered momentum when a "pastoral letter" was sent out by the house of bishops, insisting on the belief in the bodily resurrection and the virgin birth of Christ.

The storm broke when the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks, for 20 years rector of St. Bartholomew's, one of the richest and most conservative churches in New York, doffed his vestments, denounced the virgin birth, and defied the bishops to bring him to trial for heresy.

It was almost revolutionary for this preached, ordained an Episcopal minister 45 years ago, and pastor of one of the most conservative and stable churches, to denounce his superiors who, he thinks, are trying to command what all members of the church shall believe.

The public had become accustomed to hearing Dr. Grant denounce the bishops and defend the scholarship of those who dissent from the doctrine of the virgin birth.

But it hardly expected it of Dr. Parks.

Other liberals joined him in his denunciation. The Rev. Dr. Karl Reiland, rector of St. George's church, one of the rock-ribbed institutions of New York for several generations, defied the Fundamentalists to proceed with the trial of Rev. Heaton.

Bishop Lawrence came down from Boston to take a hand in the controversy.

And the Rev. William N. Guthrie, who recently was haled before Bishop Manning to explain some bare-foot dancing which he allowed in his church, St. Mark's-in-the-Bouwerie, said that if Bishop Lawrence is tried for heresy "we'll all be tried with him."

The whole liberal group seems attuned for a struggle.

They put it all up to Bishop Manning and the others of the fundamentalists.

The controversy in the Episcopal church is having its reflexes in other religious circles.

Vigorous opposition is being developed in the Presbyterian church against [illegible] of faith demanded by its fundamentalists who scored a victory over the Modernists at the general assembly last May. Ministers all over the country are said to be preparing a protest against the assertion that these five articles are essentials of the church doctrine. These doctrines affirm: "that it is the essential doctrine of the church that the Holy Spirit inspired the writers of the Bible to keep from error; that Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary; that He offered himself as a sacrifice to atone for the sins of His followers; that He arose from the dead with the same body in which He suffered, and that He showed His divine power by working miracles."

And the controversy is spreading farther.

One Jewish church recently was split in twain when one of its rabbis disputed too liberal an interpretation of the Bible. As a result of the cleavage, he went out and founded a new religious center.

Members of the Methodist circles have taken cognizance of the uprising in the Episcopal church, and are either criticizing or upholding the modernists.

Some modernists among the Episcopals say that a movement similar [illegible] including the Catholic.

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT—BISHOP WILLIAM MANNING AND REV. LEIGHTON PARKS.

BOTTOM—BISHOP WILLIAM LAWRENCE, DR. PERCY STICKNEY GRANT AND REV. LEE H. HEATON.

Georgia-Seymour Wedding.

Donald Edgar Georgia of North Franklin and Miss Helen Ruth Seymour, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis S. Seymour of 19 Gault avenue, were married at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon by Rev. Dr. Charles S. Pendleton at the Main Street Baptist parsonage. The bridal couple was attended by Mrs. John Sember and Mrs. George Walker, sisters of the bride. The groom is an employe of the Delaware & Hudson shops and the bride is a much respected young lady of this city, with many friends who will extend congratulations. For the present they will reside at 19 Gault avenue.

In Memoriam.

Christmas memories!
Every token packed with care
For Christmas tide is drawing near.
But there is one vacant chair
That we loved so dear.

Mrs. Louis Hotaling [illegible]

MRS. HAYWOOD KNAPP.

Former Franklin Woman Dies—Funeral Thursday in Oneonta.

Mrs. Haywood Knapp died at the home of her son and daughter at Newfane, Vt., Sunday, December 23, aged 82 years. She had been in failing health for some time, but had received the best of care from her children with whom she had resided for the past seven years. She was formerly a resident of Delaware county, and will be remembered by many, specially the residents of Franklin, where she had lived for about 30 years.

She is survived by one sister, Mary Barber, of Warsaw; three sons, Fred, of 93 Elm street, Oneonta; Parker, of 35 Main street, Oneonta; Williard, of Newfane, Vt.; three daughters, Susie Hall of Unadilla, Carrie Jackson of Wells Bridge; Emma Knapp of Newfane, Vt.; also by eighteen grandchildren and eight great greatgrandchildren. The funeral will be held Wednesday, December 26, at 11 o'clock at the home of Fred W. Knapp of 93 Elm street, and interment will be in The Oneonta Valley cemetery at Franklin. Dr. Flynn will officiate.

The ever-increasing sales of Juniata Brand margarine are the result of cause and effect. The pleased customer naturally continues buying what is good; and she generally tells her neighbor. advt 6t

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A Merry Christmas
and a
Prosperous and Hapy New Year
Hutson's Drug Store

A Merry Christmas to All

Our season's greeting to you—our patrons—is one of kindness and appreciation in return for the goodwill you have displayed toward us. Our wish is that you may be filled with the fresh, clean joys of the season; that you have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and that you receive a liberal endowment of that spirit which at this season rises like a mighty flood of happiness over the world : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :

B. F. SISSON

Personal

Mrs. William Harrison and Mrs. Howard Thorne spent Monday in Albany.

Supreme Court Justice A. L. Kellogg was in Albany yesterday on business.

Mrs. C. M. Gramp of 14 Walling boulevard is spending the holidays at Hudson.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bartlett is in Unadilla for a few days' stay with friends in that village.

Mrs. Donald Watson is a holiday guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Jones of Albany.

Miss Ida I. Fuller of 5 Elm street is the guest over Christmas of relatives in Watervliet.

Miss Mabel Knapp of Hartford, a student of the Normal, left for home yesterday morning.

Miss Ervina M. Telfer of 13 Grand street is spending Christmas with her parents in Hartwick.

Mrs. W. G. Miller of 14 Franklin street is spending a few days with relatives in Binghamton.

Mildred Spencer, a teacher in the schools of Johnson City, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey W. Herrick of New York city are spending Christmas with relatives in the city.

Russell Fisk and Arthur Wheeler of Brooklyn are spending the holiday at their respective homes in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Coons of Grand Gorge are Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mattice, Hickory street.

Clayton Parsons leaves this morning for Binghamton, where he will spend the remainder of the week with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Westcott are spending Christmas at the home of the former's brother, O. D. Westcott, of Milford.

Mrs. LeGrand Parish of Otego road is stopping for some time at the home of her sister, Mrs. Donald Watson, Maple street.

Miss Iva King arrived yesterday from Afton to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. Floyd Ostrander, 18 Pleasant avenue.

Mrs. Julia A. Munson and daughter, Mary, of this city are holiday guests of the former's son, B. I. Munson of Endicott.

Arthur L. Shepherd of New York city, a former resident of Otego and well known here, was in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Fisher and son, William, of 20 Center street, are guests of the former's father, W. Y. Fisher of Ghent.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce B. Griffin of Rome are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Griffin of 11 Gardner place.

L. A. Bennett, division accountant of the D. & H. at Plattsburgh, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Bennett of 9 Tilton avenue.

Mrs. L. T. Knapp and Mrs. F. K. Fallon are guests of the latter's daughter, Mrs. Richard R. Hunter of Scarsdale, for the year's end.

Miss Ellen E. Hitchcock of the faculty of the Oneonta State Normal school is spending Christmas with her uncle, Dr. George P. Bristol of Ithaca.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hogan of 155 Chestnut street left yesterday for Gloversville for a holiday sojourn with their daughter, Mrs. Lina Baum.

Miss Mary E. Brainard of Lansingburg and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Carson of Albany are holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Brainard of London avenue.

Misses Evelyn and Eurina Davis and Mary Buckley of Carbondale, Pa., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Haydn Davis of 4 Watkins avenue.

Principal and Mrs. M. J. Multer of Cooperstown were in Oneonta Monday, on their way to Waverly, where they are spending Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Tilyou of Milford were in Oneonta Monday on their way to visit the former's mother, Mrs. Jane Tilyou of Afton, who is quite seriously ill.

Miss Thelma Townsend, instructor in Kent Place school, Summit, N. J., is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Townsend 55 Elm street.

Rev. Jesse L. Wilson and family of Binghamton arrived in Oneonta yesterday and are holiday guests of the former's brother, Jerry B. Wilson, 69 Maple street.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Rogers of Hartwick Seminary, daughter, Pauline, and sons Clarence and Gustus, were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. David Terrell.

Stuart Pratt leaves Thursday morning for a two weeks' stay in New York city to attend a number of special concerts by famous musicians announced for the period.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Slade of 285 Main street left yesterday for Albany, where they will be Christmas guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Haney.

Miss Marion Phyfe, student of the Normal school and organist at the First Baptist church, left yesterday for her home at Walden, where she will remain until the New Year.

Lorain Vanatta, who for a few days had been stopping at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gay of 267 Main street, left yesterday for the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. R. Southworth, in Albany.

Mrs. George E. Moore and Miss Leona M. Moore left yesterday for East Meredith where they will spend Christmas with the former's brother, J. I. Roberts. Mr. Moore and Edwin R. Moore will join them today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Herrick and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Millard were in Binghamton Sunday attending the funeral of W. R. Wright, well known wholesale jeweler who was accidentally killed in New York city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Brandow, accompanied by the latter's mother, Mrs. Diantha Pride, left Monday morning for Hartford, Conn., where they will spend Christmas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Partridge.

Arthur L. Polley, special representative of the Hartford Fire Insurance company with headquarters at Albany, and Edward E. Polley, who represents the interests of the Fairchild Aerial Camera corporation in Canada, are spending Christmas with their mother, Mrs. W. S. Polley.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Fenton of Albany are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hopkins, meanwhile visiting other friends and relatives here. Today they and Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Page of Eighth street at Christmas dinner. Mr. Fenton called at this office yesterday and renewed his subscription for the 25th consecutive year to The Star. Mr. Fenton is one of many who have been readers for a quarter of a century and the holiday greetings extended to him were hearty indeed.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Lee and daughter, Virginia, of New York city, arrived in Oneonta last evening for a few days' visit and to be present at a family gathering to be held there today. Other guests expected for the gathering and to arrive today are Mrs. James N. Lee, Everett Lee, and Mr. and Mrs. John H. Frederick, all of Cobleskill, and Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Baird of Binghamton.

CHRISTMASTIDE WEDDINGS.

Moylan-Magnisey.

Anthony Edward Moylan of 261 Chestnut street, and Miss Josephine Elizabeth Magnisey of 284 Main street were married at 6 o'clock last Saturday evening at the First Methodist Episcopal parsonage. Rev. Dr. J. W. Flynn was the officiating clergyman. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Mae Magnisey of Syracuse, and is a saleslady in the Oneonta Department store. The groom is a well known electrician, employed by C. C. Miller & company of this city. Their home will be at 224 Main street. Both are popular young residents of this city.

Hay-Coons.

J. Howard Hay and Miss Helen L. Coons, both of this city, were married Christmas eve at 6 o'clock by Dr. J. W. Flynn at the First Methodist parsonage. Bride and groom were unattended. The groom is an employe of the D. & H. accounting department, and will known in this city. The bride is an attractive and popular young lady and a valued employe of the Oneonta Department store. After January 1 Mr. and Mrs. Hay will reside at 18 East street.

Allen-Smith.

George William Allen of 218 Chestnut street and Frances May Smith of 264 Chestnut street were married at 7:30 last evening at the First Methodist Episcopal parsonage. Dr. Flynn was the officiating clergyman. Bride and groom was unaccompanied. They will reside at 264 Chestnut street.

Harrington-Buck.

Stephen E. Harrington and Mrs. Lettie Buck, both of 51 South Main street, were married by Dr. Flynn at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage at 10 o'clock Monday morning. They will reside in Oneonta.

We wish to thank our kind friends and neighbors who assisted us in the care and death of our beloved mother, daughter, and sister, also for the beautiful flowers and use of cars.

Harold, Whitney, Kenneth Radley,
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crawford
and family.

The Directors and Officers
of
of the
WILBER NATIONAL BANK
Oneonta, N. Y.,
extend their hearty
Christmas Greetings
to their
Customers and Friends

Merry Xmas and A Happy New Year

Franklin Service Garage
471 MAIN STREET, ONEONTA

When Christmas bells are ringing
And the air is charged with cheer
Let Old Santa come a-jingling,
He's a merry cuss—and dear.

Merry Christmas

We wish you a Christmas of health and happiness, hope for the future and no heartache for the past, blessed with the laughter of children and the handclasp of honest friends, seasoned with a little charity to add to your appreciation of its joys, and hallowed by the Holly of Sentiment hung in garlands in the windows of your home and the windows of your heart!

Oneonta Hotel

Although She's Blind, Margaret Knows What Santa Looks Like

MARGARET MALFETTI

BY JOSEPHINE VAN DE GRIFT.
NEA Service Writer.

New York, Dec. 24. — Six-year-old Margaret Malfetti is blind.

Not for her the tinseled reds and greens of Christmas, the vision of a candle-decked Christmas tree, the breath-taking wonder of a fat old saint, all wrapped in red flannel, who leans down over a black iron pot to ask little girls what they want for Christmas.

But Margaret knows there's a Santa Claus. Her childish faith has told her so. Her plump little fingers have sought out all the creases in a fat little Santa Claus doll that her teacher Miss Marion Miller, has put into her hand over at the New York Institute for the Blind.

Besides, two years ago, Margaret's cousin lay awake on Christmas eve and "peeked" at Santa Claus.

"Of course," says Margaret, "it was an awful thing for him to do and if Santa had known, I doubt if he'd have put a single present in my cousin's stocking.

"Gee, I wish I could see Santa Claus. But anyway, I think I could draw a picture of him.

"First of all, Santa Claus is very fat. That's because he laughs so much and is fond of children. Then, too, he's padded out pretty much because up at the north pole, where he lives, it's awful cold and sometimes Santa builds such a big fire that the snow melts and runs away from his house for miles.

"Then Santa has a long, white beard, something like what my mother stuffs her comforts with. His beard is so long because Santa's very old. He's a hundred and five years old and this year he'll be a hundred and six.

"I don't know what color Santa's face is, but on his head he has a cap that comes way down over his ears. I don't have to have ear-flaps on my cap because my hair is bobbed and that keeps my ears warm.

"Then on his back Santa has a Christmas tree and a great big bag full of presents for us children. For me he has a little doll in a trunk with a lot of clothes and then a baby doll with a peace-fire. A peace-fire is what they give to babies to keep them quiet.

"And for Eugene he is bringing a train of cars and a bugle and some soldiers and a gun because last year and the year before he didn't get over to Eugene's house. He couldn't get over on account of the river.

"But I know that Santa can drive his reindeer and his sled on the ferry and the ferry can take them across.

"Santa has eight—no, six, reindeer on his sled and they have long, beautiful arons, like a lady I knew once that had a hat-rack.

"Once I was in Central Park and there was a deer there. He had 14 spokes to his horns and boy told me that meant he was 14 years old.

"I wouldn't be s'prised if Santa's deer were just like that deer in Central Park."

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in the M. E. church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Moves to Mt. Upton.

Dr. Meade, who moved from Masonville to Unadilla about four weeks ago, and occupied rooms in the Mulford block, has now moved to Mt. Upton.

Children Ill.

Chicken pox and mumps are keeping a good many children at home, but they are all hoping to recover before the Christmas exercises are held in the church which they attend.

Holiday Exercises.

In the Baptist church Christmas exercises will be held for the children of that school consisting of music, tree and social enjoyment, Wednesday evening, Dec. 26.

The Catholic observance of Christmas with gifts for the children was held Sunday evening at 7:30.

Candle-light service was held in St. Matthew's Episcopal church Christmas-eve. Christmas morning at 10:30 Christmas music and sermon, and communion service. Sunday evening, Dec. 30, at 7:30 the Sunday school will present a Christmas pageant, and receive gifts from the tree. At this time the children will bring their red envelopes which will contain money, for their gift to the Susan Fenimore Cooper foundation, and the other offerings of the evening will be for that purpose.

LePines Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. William LePine entertained their family for Christmas on Sunday, Dec. 23. Their daughter, Miss Lena LePine, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Finch, Mr. and Mrs. George LePine, Mr. and Mrs. Frank LePine and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Wilkins, Mr. and Mrs. Bushnan, Mrs. A. L. Ingraham and daughters, Misses Ada and Lillian are among the guests.

Mrs. Addie Ingraham and daughters, Misses Ada and Lillian, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. William LePine. Mrs. Ingraham will remain with her sister for a few weeks and enjoy meeting her many friends here.

Personal and Local.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Blanford are in Hammondsport, N. Y., to spend Christmas with the family of their son, Prof. Harry Blanford.—Mr. and Mrs. R. K Teller attended the funeral of Dr. Dewar of Cooperstown Monday, Dec. 24. Dr. Dewar married Miss Fanny Stringham, a niece of Mr. Teller.—Miss Queene Homan of the Albany State Teachers' college is at home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Homan. —M. J. Ward has a cellar begun on Depot street for a two-family house, which he will build this winter.—James Raitt of Binghamton is visiting his mother, Mrs. J. R. Raitt. — Barrett Trask, a student in Union college, Schenectady, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Trask.—Miss Barbara Cone of Cornell university and Miss Katherine Cone of Columbia are at home for the holidays. — Miss Margaret Peck is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Mary Peck.—An invitation is given to all lovers of music to attend the Christmas concert in the Baptist church Friday evening, Dec. 28. — Miss Kate Jenny, a teacher in New York is a guest of her mother, Mrs. R. K. Teller, for the holiday vacation. —Miss Elizabeth Palmer of Philadelphia is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Palmer.

LATEST FROM OTEGO.

Presbyterian Sunday School Holds Social Thursday Night

Otego, Dec 24. — The Otego Presbyterian Sunday school will hold a Christmas social at the home of Miss Bertha Jennings on Thursday evening, December 27, at 7:30. Members of the congregation and Sunday school are cordially invited. Each one please bring sandwiches for family and a covered dish.

Otego Union Lodge, F. and A. M.

Otego Union lodge, F. and A. M., installed on Friday evening, the duly elected and appointed officers for the ensuing year: Ely W. Goldsmith W. M.; D. L. Palmer, S. W.; Ford Hawver, J. W.; Jerome Ceperley, secretary; Charles H. Broadfoot, treasurer; George W. Dieball, retiring worshipful master, trustee for three years. The appointed officers are: C. C. Volz, S. D. H.; C. S. Anderson, J. D.; Paul Wykes, S. M. C.; E. W. Thorp, J. M. C.; R. J. Ferris, marshal; W. C. Sherman, chaplain; I. L. Wood, tiler.

The reports of the various committees indicate judicious and careful management of the affairs of the lodge during the past year.

A very interesting and gratifying feature of the business of the evening was the action of the lodge in empowering the trustees to cancel the outstanding indebtedness against the real property of the lodge, thus establishing a pleasant and permanent home. This, together with the fact that the numerous obligations resting upon the lodge in its various activities during the past year have been creditably disposed of leaves it in a very favorable condition for the business of the coming year.

Otego Locals and Personals.

Charles Beardsley of Sidney Center was a pleasant caller in town on Friday and attended the annual meeting of Otego Union lodge, No. 283, F. and A. M., in the evening, of which he is an honored member. — Miss Ruby Trask and Miss Edith Gifford, who are teaching at Gaining, have returned home for the holidays. — Harry Light and family are spending the holidays with relatives and friends at Morris and Maple Grove. Mr. Light is recovering from his recent serious illness and is able to be about the house by the aid of a crutch.—Your correspondant embraces this opportunity of extending to The Star, patrons and friends in this vicinity, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.—William Barney is spending Christmas at the home of his son, Guy, of Hartford, Conn.—Miss Leonora Shepherd, who is teaching at Richmond Hill, is spending the holidays with relatives and friends in town. — Miss Pauline Fuller, teaching at Huntington, L. I., is home for the Christmas vacation.

MILFORD NEWS.

Funeral of Mrs. Blanche C. Radley Held Last Thursday.

Milford, Dec. 24. The funeral services of the late Mrs. Blanche C. Radley were held Thursday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crawford. The services, which were private, were conducted by Rev. R. E. Brooks of the Methodist church and Rev. A. B. Judson of the Presbyterian church.

The bearers were L. M. Barnard, C. G. Perry, Hiram Sexton, George Cancliffe, all brothers-in-law of the deceased. Burial in Milford cemetery.

Among the relatives present were Mrs. Andrew Butts, Schenectady; Mr. and Mrs. Lucis Steere, Hartwick; Mr. and Mrs. John Radley, Oneonta; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kitchen, Oneonta.

WELLS BRIDGE NEWS.

Wells Bridge, Dec. 24.—Christmas exercises were held at the Methodist Episcopal church Saturday evening and on Monday evening at the Baptist church.—Those home for the holidays are Harry Rogers of Cornell, Alice Rogers of Warner, Belle Chase and Nellie Crandall of Syracuse, Evalena Snyder of Frankfort, Letha Merriman of Utica.—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Earl, Laverne Earl and Mr. and Mrs. William Springtseen spend Xmas with Harry Earl of Sidney.—The Methodist society of Sand Hill held Xmas exercises at the church Monday evening. —The Sand Hill school will observe Xmas on this week Thursday evening.

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The Holiday Season affords an opportunity to express again the pleasure we derive from our business relations.

We wish for you
A Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year

Baker's Garment Shop

May happiness be the watchman
And your prosperity increase
Through all the years that follow
To give you joy and peace.

WALL STREET GARAGE
L. B. GREEN, Prop.

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How to Make Christmas More Joyful Next Year

The joy of giving to those you love is one of the most beautiful Christmas experiences. It's a wonderful thing to contribute to the happiness of a dear friend or a beloved relative.

But the practical problems of finance invariably enter into Christmas giving. Often these problems are not easily solved; you may not be able to do what you would like because of lack of money.

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4% We pay four per cent interest on Certificates of Deposit and Interest Books from January 1, 1924. **4%**

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WILBER NATIONAL BANK

ONEONTA, NEW YORK

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Bertrand's Food Shop

Merry Xmas
and a
Happy New Year
TERPENNING'S
13 Columbia St.

OUR BEST WISHES
FOR A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR

THE DE LUXE
SHOE SHINING PARLOR
218 Main Street

We wish you the greatest of happiness, not only on this Christmas Day but all through the coming year.

KELLY'S GROCERY
17 Susquehanna St.

A Merry Christmas
and a Year of Days
Just as Happy
Is Our Wish

[illegible]'S BAKERY
[illegible] LUNCH

The Season's Greeting
From Us--To You--Good People

You, Whose Patronage and Loyalty
Have Made Us What We Are!
We Thank You and Wish You
Our Heartiest Greetings

Bell Clothing Company

Our Christmas Card

Just the same old-fashioned message,
Without a single frill,
But a strong, firm Christmas handclasp
Warm with friendship and good will.

Acorn Hardware Store
Louis M. Baker, Prop. 48 Main Street

In extending to you my cordial Greetings for the Christmas Season, I desire to express my appreciation of your valued patronage and I sincerely hope that the New Year will be for you one of Happiness and Prosperity.

BRIENZA'S

The Southern New York Railway extends to its friends and patrons a
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year

If there's anything in this old world you want we hope you get it, and a few flowers now and then will ease the way.

River Street Greenhouses

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

So once again "Glad Christmas Cheer"
And may your cup be filled
With prosperity this coming year
And a happiness never stilled.

West End Coal Co.

Says Alf, The Elf

"The year has been good to most of us. We wish you the greatest happiness, not only on this Christmas Day but all through the coming year."

Elmore Milling Co.
Oneonta, N. Y.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Here's to you on Christmas Day,
May all your troubles blow away,
May joy and health come in to stay,
That's our wish for Christmas Day.

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Love and service bring the greatest happiness — may you have it in abundance always.

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A Happy Christmas

Purity

We Wish to Thank Our Many Customers
For Their Liberal Patronage
And We Sincerely Wish for You All a
Happy Christmas

Oneonta Ice Cream Co.
Lewis Street Phone 490 Oneonta

A Happy Christmas
and a
Prosperous New Year
KELLAM'S
396 Chestnut Street

HOLIDAY GREETINGS
J. A. Holden
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9 Oneida St.

A MERRY XMAS
and
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

N. C. PUCCIO
SHOE REPAIRING
Cor. Main and Rose Ave.

Season's Greetings To All Congdon Bros.'
Grocery

Season's Greetings
PUBLIC SERVICE GARAGE

Christmas Boxes for Six Years On Board the Ice-Bound Maud

By NEA Service.

Nome, Alaska, Dec. 24. — "Somewhere around 74" is the schooner Maud.

Locked helplessly in the polar ice, so isolated from civilization that no help can reach them, the Maud and her crew, comprising the Amundsen arctic drift expedition that left here June 24, 1922, are facing their second Christmas beneath the starless heaven of the ten-day arctic midnight, the blackest period of the four-month polar darkness.

The hardy crew, as adventurous a band of argonauts as ever lived, is drifting with the ice across the north pole, across the top of the world, in an effort to ascertain whether the ice and currents drift from the Bering sea to the Greenland sea, a determination of which will profoundly affect the world's weather forecasting. Their voyage will occupy five, maybe seven, years.

Their leader, Captain Roald Amundsen, famous arctic and antarctic explorer, is back in the United States, having temporarily abandoned his proposed airplane flight across the north pole.

A Polar Christmas.

If ever there were a dreary setting for Christmas day, it is the one of maddening cold and trackless icy wastes surrounding the crew of the 200-foot schooner Maud, who have sacrificed the comforts of home and the civilized world in the interests of that stern goddess, Science.

But they will have their Christmas just the same; they are not to be denied this one day of celebration, this clinging remnant of an almost-forgotten world, for packed in the ship's hold are six large boxes, each of them marked with a date. One was opened last Christmas; the others are for the succeeding ones.

Imagine, then, that it is Christmas on board the Maud. Inside the little, gaily decorated cabin sit half a dozen men, eagerly watching Captain Oscar Wisting, their present leader, and Prof. H. U. Sverdrup, scientist of the expedition.

In front of Captain Wisting is a huge box marked, "To be opened Christmas Day, 1923." The captain pries open the lid while the men look on expectantly.

First, and best of all, there are letters from the loved ones at home — letters that have been lying in that box for more than a year and a half, which nevertheless, are seized eagerly and read avidly, and bring unashamed tears to their eyes.

Presents for All.

And, separately wrapped, are presents for each of the crew. From the family, from friends and from kind hearted Norwegian and Americans who were let in on the secret and insisted on contributing.

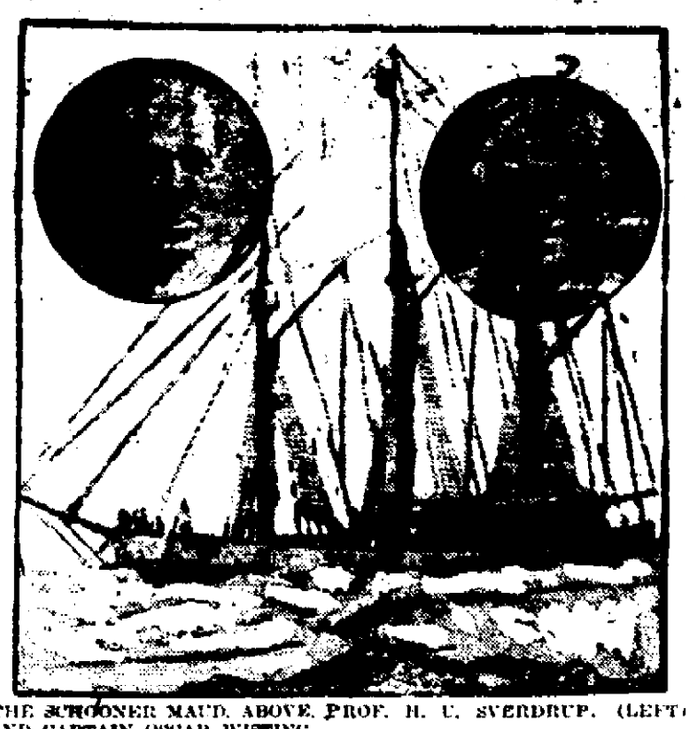
So the letters are read and the presents are distributed, and the crew then sits down to its Christmas dinner.

But that is not all. Shut off though they are, they are within reach of the wireless that probes the ether for them regularly from the Norwegian coast.

The Maud's big radio will be kept busy this Christmas day receiving and sending greetings between the firesides in Norway and the frozen wastes at the top of the world.

When men, cut off from the world as these are, with no assurance of ever returning, can forget their lot and enjoy themselves on the day of all days, they are made of stern stuff indeed.

Their fine courage has martyred them to science. They have given up everything, that a world may profit by their sacrifice. That is their Christmas gift to us.



THE SCHOONER MAUD, ABOVE. PROF. H. U. SVERDRUP, (LEFT) AND CAPTAIN OSCAR WISTING.

Fine job printing at Herald office.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

AT

ONEONTA BUICK CO.

244 MAIN STREET

1920 Ford Truck	$150
1919 Ford Touring, with starter	$150
1918 Ford Touring	$75
1918 Buick Four Cylinder	$175

ONEONTA BUICK CO.

244 MAIN STREET

WHEREAS, arrears of taxes for the year [illegible] and previous years charged and imposed, pursuant to law, remain due and unpaid on the several tracts, lots, pieces or parcels of land situate in the city of Oneonta, N. Y., and described in the following list, some not been paid within the time required by law, and remain due and unpaid as yet.

FORD AVENUE, Description—Known as house No. [illegible] Ford avenue, about 66 feet frontage, more or less, and 125 feet deep more or less. Bounded as follows: On the east by Ford avenue; on the south by lands of Arthur W. Tennent; on the west by lands of Charles E. Hughes; on the north by the lands of Dennis M. Burr. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll 1922, Jeanette and C. D. Barringer. Taxes ..... [illegible]

SPRUCE STREET, Description—Known as house No. 13 Spruce street, and bounded as follows: On the south by Spruce street; on the east by lands of J. J. Kelligan, Charles A. Clark and Frank L. Street; on the north by lands of H. W. Fighter and Lina Cummings; on the west by lands of Francis M. Campbell. Having a frontage of [illegible] feet more or less and a depth of [illegible] feet more or less. Containing one-half acre of land more or less. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll, 1922, C. U. Barner and wife. Taxes ..... [illegible]

CHESTNUT and KING STREETS, Description—Known as lot No. 1 of the Fred M. and Harry J. Baker plot, Chestnut and King streets. Bounded as follows: On the south by Chestnut street; on the west by lands of Susan and Bertram Hoye and Ida P. Woodworth; on the north by lands of Ida P. Woodworth and Fred M. and Harry J. Baker; on the east by lands of J. G. Bennett. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll, 1923, Harry J. Baker. Taxes $3.09

CHESTNUT and KING STREETS, Description—Known as Lot No. 3 of the F. M. and H. J. Baker plot, Chestnut street and King street, and bounded as follows: On the south by Chestnut street; on the west by lands J. G. Bennett; on the north by lands of F. M. and H. J. Baker; on the east by lands of David Holmes and William J. Williams. Last known owner as shown by assessment roll, 1921, Harry J. Baker. Taxes $3.09

CHESTNUT and KING STREETS, Description—Known as lot No. 7 of the F. M. and H. J. Baker plot, Chestnut street and King street, and bounded as follows: On the south by Chestnut street; on the west by lands of David Holmes; on the north by lands of F. M. and H. J. Baker; on the east by lands of O. S. Hathaway and W. N. Morse. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll, 1923, Harry J. Baker. Taxes $3.09

CLARK STREET, Description—Known as vacant No. 103, of the Fonda tract on Clark street, and bounded as follows: On the east by Clark street; on the south by lot No. 102 of the above tract; on the west by lands of Nicholay Holowatch; on the north by lot 104 of the above tract, and having a frontage of 60 feet more or less, and containing 3-16 of an acre of land more or less. Owner unknown. Taxes $3.06

DUANE STREET, Description—Known as vacant lot No. 157 of the Fonda tract on Duane street, and bounded as follows: on the west by Duane street; on the north by vacant lot No. 158 of the Fonda tract; on the east by the lands of Nicholay Holowatch; on the south by vacant lot No. 156 of the Fonda tract, and containing one-fourth acre of land more or less. Owner unknown. Taxes $2.03

DUANE STREET, Description—Known as vacant lot No. 158 of the Fonda tract on Duane street, and bounded as follows: On the west by Duane street; on the north by vacant lot No. 159 of the Fonda tract; on the east by lands of Nicholay Holowatch; on the south by vacant lot No. 157 of the Fonda tract, and containing one-fourth acre of land more or less. Owner unknown. Taxes $2.03

CLINTON STREET, Description—Known as house No. 63 Clinton street, and bounded as follows: On the east by Clinton street; on the south by the southerly portion of lots Nos. 146 and 147; on the west by vacant lot No. 148 of the Westcott, Manchester and Sanford plot; on the north by vacant lot No. 145 of the Westcott, Manchester and Sanford plot; containing 80 feet frontage more or less, and one-eighth of an acre more or less. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll of 1923, H. B. Warner and Wife. Taxes $24.41

WEST STREET, Description—Known as part of vacant lot No. 146 of the Westcott, Manchester and Sanford plot, and bounded as follows: On the west by West street and lot No. 147 of the Westcott, Manchester and Sanford plot; on the north by the northerly portion of lot 146 of Westcott, Manchester and Sanford plot; on the east by Clinton street, and containing 5-32 of an acre of land more or less. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll, 1922, H. B. Warner and wife. Taxes $3.00

ROSE AVENUE, Description—Known as house No. 5 Rose avenue, and being lot No. 63 of the E. D. Couse plot. Having a frontage of 50 feet more or less and containing 3-16 of an acre of land more or less. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll of 1923, H. D. Seeley, Bainbridge, N. Y. Taxes $40.69

CHESTNUT STREET, Description — Known as house No. 364 Chestnut street, and bounded as follows: on the south by Chestnut street; on the west by West End avenue; on the north by lands of L. D. Smith; on the east by lands of Charles Yager, and having a frontage of 50 feet more or less, and a depth of 150 feet more or less. Last known owner as shown by the assessment roll, 1923, Mary E. Davis. Taxes $151.54

NOW, therefore, notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of powers vested in me by law, I shall on the 27th day of December, 1923, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the Municipal building in the city of Oneonta, N. Y., commence selling at public auction, each of the said several and respective lots, tracts, pieces or parcels of land, for the purpose of paying all Municipal, School and other taxes assessed thereon in the year of 1923, and previous years, or in any one of such years, that may then remain due on each thereof respectively, together with interests, costs and charges which have arisen or that may arise and accrue thereon as provided by the charter of the city of Oneonta and shall sell, and continue from day to day to sell until the said sale shall be completed.

The purchasers at such sale shall pay the amount of their respective bids to the city chamberlain immediately after each parcel shall be struck off, and [illegible] receive certificates describing the lands purchased, the sum paid, the name of the person or persons against whom such tax was assessed, and the name of the reputed owner thereof; and after the expiration of two years from the last day of such sale, they shall be entitled to receive conveyances of the land so purchased by them, respectively, unless the owner or occupant thereof, or some other person interested therein, pursuant to law, shall have previously redeemed the same, by paying to the city chamberlain for the use of the purchaser or assigns, or if the same shall have been redeemed by any person other than the owner thereof, then for use of such person, the sum mentioned in the certificate as having been bid for the premises with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the date of sale, and any tax which the holder of said certificate shall have paid between the day of sale and the day of redemption, with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum upon such tax from the time of payment, together with the share of the expenses of publication of notices to redeem the real estate sold for unpaid taxes, as apportioned by the city chamberlain to the real estate so redeemed.

Charles H. Bowdish,
City Chamberlain.

NOT WHAT HE EXPECTED

LITTLE DICK was too young to spell—he went entirely by sound. Consequently he suffered a great disappointment on Christmas morning. When he noticed the Christmas tree he said solemnly: "You said it would be a fur tree, daddy!"

"It is a fir tree," showed his father.

"But I thought it was going to look like my kitty!" wailed Dick.—Martha B. Thorpe.

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HEARTY GREETINGS

We truly appreciate all the blessings of 1923 and in this holiday season we broadcast our greetings for merriest Christmas greetings and wishes for a Happy New Year.

D. E. Robinson

436 Chestnut Street

BEST WISHES

The Rickenbacker Motor Sales Co. for Oneonta wishes to extend to all the season's Greetings.

A THREE MONTHS' SUBSCRIPTION TO THE STAR FOR $1.50

The Citizens National Bank

OF

Oneonta, New York

Commencing January 1st

Will Pay 4% in Their Interest Department. There is No Longer Any Excuse For People in This Vicinity Depositing Their Savings in Out of Town Banks.

Come With Us We Have The Facilities

Join Our Christmas Club

The Citizens National Bank

of Oneonta, New York

Merry Christmas

GREETINGS

As we ring down the curtain, closing the Christmas season—the greatest holiday season this store has ever enjoyed—we wish to extend to you, one and all, the heartiest of Christmas Greetings.

May the New Year just dawning—with its bright horizon speaking of better times, better conditions, better people—meet your every expectation.

May the year 1924 be your best.

Carr Clothing Co., Inc.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

To you whose Friendly business Helps Make Ours Successful, we would extend our cordial Appreciation and Best Wishes for a

Very Merry Christmas

Rochester Clothing Company

SEASONS GREETINGS

Among our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy—your good will—and so, at this Holiday Season, we extend to you, not as a customer alone, but as a friend, the Best Wishes for the coming year.

S. & S. Shoe Co.

162 MAIN STREET ONEONTA, N. Y.

Merry Christmas

While you are enjoying the happiest of days let our sincere greetings add to the occasion.

I. J. Bookhout

MAKING AND MONUMENTS

Sincere Wishes For A Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year

Each year we celebrate this day,
The day that brings all joy and cheer.
Ring loud the bells, drive care away,
For Christmas once again is here.

Hudson -- Essex Cars

Wilber-Motors Corp.

55-57 MARKET STREET ONEONTA

Sincere Good Wishes

We Take This Method of Extending

Best Wishes and A Merry Christmas

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND PATRONS

We greatly appreciate the liberal patronage our store has enjoyed during the past year.

We have endeavored to give the people of Oneonta and vicinity the best in point of Service and Quality and the steady increase of our business dealings has met with the approval of the public.

We wish a continuation of your patronage and assure all of the same courteous treatment and fair dealings as during the past.

KANDYLAND

JAMES KOKEN

Christmas Greetings

To our friends we wish the merriest Christmas ever and a New Year full of the best that like offers.

We deeply appreciate your patronage and your willing cooperation in these trying times.

Oneonta Ice & Fuel Co.

A Very Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year

H. E. Gorham Machine Shop

Market Street

The Employees of the Otsego Publishing Company Wish You All A Merry Xmas and A Happy New Year

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Ronan Bros.

Merry Christmas To All

May the Spirit of Happiness Enter Every Heart This Christmas and May the New Year Bring to All Health, Contentment and Peace

Store Closed Today

Ronan Bros.

Merry Christmas

A "Merry Christmas" to you we sing,
"Happiness, joy and health,"
And may the New Year to you bring
A goodly share of wealth.

Whitney & Son

FLORISTS

ROSE AVENUE

A Happy Christmas

The season's sincere greetings
To everyone far and near
Is—"To you a merry Christmas
And a prosperous New Year."

TODD'S CASH MARKET

Sincere Season's Greetings

CLYDE D. UTTER

Classified Advertisements

ONE CENT A WORD

Classified advertisements will be inserted in the ONEONTA STAR at the rate of one cent per word. Half price will be charged after the third insertion.

All classified advertisements to appear on the same day should reach STAR office not later than 12 o'clock.

CASH WANTED

Put advertisings in touch with more than 20,000 readers daily.

USE THE TELEPHONE

And your orders will receive the same attention which we if you called in person.

Call 216 and please state definitely how long you wish advertisements inserted.

No advertisements will be accepted to be mentioned until dorbid.

TO RENT

TO RENT—Eight room house. For information call 5[illegible], or Secretary S. R. Mathews, 169 West street.

TO RENT—House furnished or unfurnished. Reasonable rent. Phone 35[illegible]-J.

FOR RENT—Six room flat. Man and wife preferred. Inquire of E. Betts, Otego.

TO RENT—Five room flat at 85 Main street, partly furnished.

TO RENT—Flat over Star office, Broad street, suitable for business or living apartments. Apply at Star office.

TO RENT—Garage for storing cars at $3 a month, at 90 River street. Christie Conry.

FOR RENT—Eight room house. 17 Jackson avenue. All improvements, garage. M. H. Baker, Hartwick, N. Y.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—30 ton first class horse hay, delivered anywhere in city. George Coon, jr. Phone [illegible].

FOR SALE—Electric cuckle clock for henhouse. Cauldron Supply company, Kingston, N. Y.

FOR SALE — Hardwood, potatoes and strictly fresh eggs. Fowls and chickens dressed and delivered. 33 Main street. Phone 244-w.

PUBLIC AUCTION—To be held on the Howard Finch farm, 4½ miles from Bussey center, on Tuesday, Dec. 25th, beginning at 10 o'clock. Fifty cows, mostly black and white, to freshen 25 springers, 20 2-year old heifers, two black and white yearling bulls, one red and white yearling bull, pair work horses, weight 2,800, one road horse, 30 sheep, four blood sows, one Lister making implements, three double sets, two heavy double harnesses, two light double harnesses, lumber wagon, milk wagon, buggy, pair bobs, long sled, drop reaper, cultivator, shovels, grindstone, lumber wagon springs, wagon jacks, chains, kerosene gas paint with fixtures and other articles. A credit of two months will be given on good approved interest bearing notes for all sums over $10. Howard Finch. C. W. Peasley, auctioneer.

PARLOR STOVE —For sale cheap. 28 East street.

FOR SALE —Smart saddle horse, Kentucky bred, six years old; also 1,000 feet white pine, stock number, mostly one inch. H. J. Allison, Morris, N. Y.

FOR SALE—R. I. Red pullets and puppies. Airedale and Welsh dog. M. H. Wood, North Franklin.

FOR SALE—Nearly new Oliver typewriter in first class condition. Inquire 9 Pine street or phone 262.

HOLCH'S BABY CHICKS — Eight leading varieties, standard-bred, egg laying strain, vigorous chicks that mature early. Best pedigreed—100 per cent delivery guaranteed and have chicks arrive when you want them. Free catalog. Holcheck Hatchery, Adrian, Mich., R. F. D. 1.

FOR SALE—Boston bull pups, 3½ months old, nicely marked, from registered stock. A. H. Tuinon, Country club road. Phone 1170-W.

FOR SALE—Chickering grand piano, $300. R. E. Gardner, 271 Main street.

FOR SALE—Or exchange for cow, pure-bred Holstein bull, three years old, June 1, 1924. Both dam and grandsire of bull have nice A. R. O. records. Bull is from Riverside Dairy farms, Central Bridge, N. Y. Herd is tuberculin tested and fully accredited. Frank C. Mallory, Gerrattsville, N. Y.

PLANT NOW—Incurve or oat, tulips, narcissus, Giant Darwin tulips, 60 for $1, 100 for $2; Emperor narcissus, 60 for $1, 100 for $2. Postpaid. E. J. Gibbons, Mt. Holly, N. J.

BEAM WOOD FOR SALE—$5 per cord. Hard seasoned wood. Phone 308-W2 or 833-W.

FOR SALE—Pipe threading machine, 2½ to 4 inches. Large pipe cutter, large chain pipe wrench, and 5 foot Billings wrench. Inquire of Jay S. Lawson, Star office.

FARMS FOR SALE

MONEY MAKING FARM—Bargain price. 85 acres, 40 acres easy tillage, large school, neighbors, milk markets, never-freezing water, creek watered pasture for 15 cows. Estimated 6,000 worth pine and ash timber, ready to cut. Sugar bush, extra good 10-room house, two porches, newly painted, good large barn for 15 cows. Silo. Other buildings, running spring water. Agent owner must sell at once and will include 3 cattle, farm tools, wagon, crops, all for $3,000. Very liberal terms. Phone 92 for inspection date. F. S. Hunt, Candidia, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Farm of eighty acres near Oneonta; state road, running water, into 8 wood, good buildings, good set of farming tools, team and stock. At a sacrifice. Would trade for city property. Alfred Dutta real estate agency, 142 Main street. Phone 341-J.

SMALL POULTRY FARM — Four acres, level, nine room house, 1,000 hen poultry house, barn. Complete equipment for only $3,000, cash. $1,000. Squire Dean agency, A. E. Hartmann.

[illegible] —400 acre dairy farm, one mile from good sized village. Spring water piped to house and barn. Good sugar bush, house and good basement barn. Modern house, capacity of 200 hens. Plenty of wood and timber. Price $8,200. Will take as low as $500, first payment and $50 per month or will trade for city property. Mrs. C. H. Preston, 9 Pine street. Phone [illegible].

FOR SALE—Farm of 225 acres; silo by barn with a timber; lots of wood and timber, running water in the house and barn, good buildings, 22 grade Holstein cows, one bull, two horses, one colt; 20 acres good hay of leading kinds, enough grain to feed the herd, price $8,000, cash $2,000. Would consider trade for city property. We have a large list of farms from three acres up to three hundred acres for sale or exchange. Alfred Dutta Real Estate agency, 142 Main street. Phone 341-J.

FOR SALE —200 acres, mostly level, suitable for tractor, first class buildings, 27 head Holsteins, 20 replacers, 2 extra good horses, 2½ miles from station and railroad, $8,000. 165 acres, mostly flat land, good buildings, 25 cows, other livestock, milking machines, automobile, hens, 200 hens, crops, one mile High school, $12,000. 165 acres, first class buildings, 30 cattle, horse, 300 hens, tools, crops, one mile High school and equipment, 12 miles market, $7,000. Any of above farms can be exchanged for small farm. 21 cows, two efficient tools, good buildings, 2 acres, farm, 100 hens, tools, crops, $5,000. 300 acres, 100 cows, 40 horses, 300 hens, tools, crops, $15,000. Alfred Dutta Real Estate agency, 142 Main street. Phone 341-J.

ONE CENT A WORD

[illegible] 12 years, helps, 400 head, stock farm, fine buildings, near pavement, $125. Fred Amos, good location, near church, school, house, for sale or rent. 50 acres, fair buildings, house, tools, crops, $2,000. 100 acres, fair farm, good buildings, 20 head stock, tools, crops, $3,000. 100 acres, good farm, good buildings, 20 head stock, tools, crops, $3,500. 100 acres, good farm, good buildings, 20 head stock, tools, crops, $4,000. 100 acres, good farm, good buildings, 20 head stock, tools, crops, $4,500. 100 acres, good farm, good buildings, 20 head stock, tools, crops, $5,000. 100 acres, good farm, good buildings, 20 head stock, tools, crops, $5,500. 100 acres, good farm, good buildings, 20 head stock, tools, crops,

Santa Himself!

Secretary of Labor James J. Davis played Santa Claus at the Washington (D. C.) Foundlings Home, when he distributed toys to the tiny inmates. He had as much fun as they did, which was a lot.

THE JOB OF BEING A DAD

By FRANK H. CHELEY

President Father and Son League of America

No. 29—What Is a Home?

At the very heart of the problem of the boy is the problem of the American home. For, after all has been said and most carefully considered, the home is the vital force in the making of character. If the boy is blessed with a real home, then chances are nine to one the boy will be right.

Every boy in the land is an accurate reflection of the home from which he comes. If the home in its life and spirit is drab and colorless, the boy is very likely to be, also. If the home is wrong, the boy will be wrong. There may be occasional exceptions to this rule, but every exception can be explained in a manner that in no wise weakens the assertion—as the home is, so is the boy.

Sounds perfectly simple and easy, doesn't it, but it is not as simple as it sounds and neither can we possibly understand the full, tremendous significance of just what such an assertion means until we understand quite fully just what a home is. In fact, this is the exact point at which there is a great difference of opinion, what is a home?

"A house is built of bricks and stones,
Of sills and posts and piers;
But a home is built of loving deeds
That stand a thousand years.

"A house, though but a humble cot
Within its walls may hold;
A home of priceless beauty, rich in
Love's eternal gold.

"The men on earth build houses—halls
And chambers, roofs and domes—
But the women of the earth—God knows—
The women build the homes."

No matter how beautiful a house it may be, how ideally located, furnished, administered; a house is merely a place, a geographic location. A home is vastly more. It is a human relationship. It is a spirit, an attitude, an influence, a constructive force at work in the life of a growing child, insuring to that child all that is necessary for the proper nurturing and developing of its every latent possibility into an expressed life—a life of action.

Definitions are usually cold, academic things and of pure necessity more or less mechanical. Yet it will help us very greatly in seeing more clearly our job as dads if we can define just what we do mean by home. What do you think of this for a definition:

"A home is a garden that fully meets the physical, mental, moral, spiritual and social needs of a growing boy, as such needs develop, rearing and adequately training its children to become independent, self-propelled, social beings."

Say it over very slowly several times. Let it soak in. Measure your home and the other homes that you know best by that statement. Analyze the definition carefully, expand it in your own mind and as you do so broaden and deepen until you will begin to appreciate in a very much larger way just why a real home is, by long odds a growing boy's greatest asset—more significant to his future than school or church or community influence. And, furthermore, you will see why the heart of the problem of the American boy is in the American home.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Our appreciation of the patronage of our customers is not forced—but just comes naturally—and we wish for all a Merry, Merry Christmas and a most prosperous New Year.

ONEONTA BUICK CO., Inc.
244 MAIN STREET ONEONTA, N. Y.

A Merry Christmas
and many of 'em
for you and yours

Herrieff's Clothes Shop
... of good things men like to wear

GRADED EGGS BRING MONEY

Hardest Working Hen May Fail to Show a Profit If Her Product Is Poorly Marketed.

Ithaca, Dec. 24.—In a profitable poultry partnership, the hen is not the only member to be considered. It is true the hen has to furnish the eggs, but the poultryman has to market them. Many times, further, the efforts of the hen have been offset through the failure of the poultryman to know anything about the proper grading of the eggs.

The poultrymen at the New York state college of agriculture here explain that eggs which can be graded only as "fresh gathered" bring a lower price a dozen than do those commonly known as hennery eggs.

Both of these grades are designated as extras, and are generally understood to weigh 46 pounds net to the case.

Nearby and nearby western hennery whites, extras, is the grade under which most of New York state hennery eggs are marketed, and at the time this item was written this quotation stood third in the hennery list.

Not all poultrymen know that hennery eggs are those which are sent to the market directly from the original producer. They are, if properly cared for, of higher quality than those marketed as "fresh gathered," but which reach the market through the country buyer or shipper.

While supply and demand determine egg prices, the amount of money that a given poultryman may expect will be influenced by the demand that his product meets in comparison with eggs from other producers.

ASHOKAN RESERVOIR FULL

Heavy Fall Rains Raise Water Level Thirty-Five Feet.

The heavy fall rains have resulted in a much more satisfactory condition at the Ashokan reservoir and New York's water supply, which has been in a precariously low state for many months, is assured for the winter months.

November 30 the water reached the lowest stage in the history of the reservoir, when there was but 17,000,000,000 gallons in storage and the surface was 527.93 feet above sea level. On December 13, the highest mark reached in a long period, there was in storage 36,000,000,000 gallons, according to the Department of Water Supply records and the water in the upper basin had risen to 562.47 feet above sea level, an increase in depth of about 34½ feet.

The department's records also show that on November 29 and 30 and December 4, 5, 6, 9, and 10 a total of 5.11 inches fell on the watershed, the heaviest rainfall ever recorded there in a similar autumn period.

Part of the water from the upper basin has been allowed to go through the gates to the lower basin.

No definite date has been set for turning the Schoharie water through the Shandaken tunnel but this is expected to be done within a few weeks.

IN CRIMINAL COURT

Newharter Held for Grand Jury on Assault Charge—Train Riders Get Five Days — Young's Sentence Suspended.

Ralph Newharter was arraigned before Justice Murdock yesterday on a charge of assault in the first degree, it being charged that he hit Mrs. Fred Eaton and her young son at East End with his automobile on Saturday evening. He was held for the grand jury in bail of $2,000 which has not been furnished, and he was taken to the county jail yesterday afternoon.

The two train riders who were arrested Saturday by D. & H. Officer Stapleton, were arraigned before Judge F. C. Huntington in city court yesterday morning and were sentenced to a fine of $5 or five days in the county jail, of which both men elected the latter and were taken to Cooperstown yesterday.

LeRoy Young of 1 East street was arraigned before Judge Huntington also, and upon his plea of guilty he was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail, which, however, was suspended.

PRUNING APPLE TREES

Little and Much Pruning Compared—Low Heading Preferred by Experts.

How much to prune and in what way to prune apples are questions which will soon confront many fruit growers. The horticulturists at the experiment station at Geneva have conducted pruning experiments with apples for a number of years and have accumulated much information on the subject of value to orchardists. According to the station specialists apple trees require comparatively little pruning for best results, while low-headed trees are said to have decided advantages over high-headed trees.

Several Varieties in Test.

The pruning tests have been made [illegible] Baldwin, McIntosh, Spy, Greening, Boome and King, all good standard varieties. The comparison of little and much pruning was made with trees all headed about two feet above the ground when set out in the orchard. "It would seem from these experiments," say the horticulturists "that, after the tree is started properly, little pruning will later produce a tree with a larger head, which has a greater bearing area, with less effort on the part of the orchardist, than will follow from much pruning. This condition developed in about ten years in our experiments and the trees maintained equally as good shape and symmetry. This will apply to all standard varieties of apples."

With regard to high and low heading of apples the station workers found that the root systems of the low-headed trees were more firmly established in the soil and thus offered greater resistance to the wind than high-headed trees. This is said to be an important advantage, especially in exposed positions. The low-headed trees were also more larger and stocky in the trunks and branches and had larger heads with a greater bearing area than did the high-headed trees.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness during the illness and death of our loved one.

Thurman A. Cooke,
Marie Cooke.

DELAWARE COUNTY NEWS

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and Millicent Robinson were special numbers. The entire program of Christmas music was greatly enjoyed.

Chimney Burns Out.

The fire department was called out at about six o'clock Saturday evening by the alarm of fire uptown. The chimney on the residence of Con Buckley, upper Main street, had burned out and the family, afraid for the safety of their home, had turned in an alarm. Little, if any, damage resulted.

Miss Palmer Dies Here.

Miss Etta Palmer of Hobart, who has of late been making her home with her brother, Charles Palmer, second street, died Friday night. She had been in failing health for some time. Interment was made in the cemetery at the foot of Rose's brook.

Kenneth Thompson Home.

Kenneth Thompson, who has a position in Syracuse, is home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ward B. Thompson.

Fatal Accident Near Andes.

Meagre details have been received here of a fatal accident near Andes, on the state road between there and Margaretville Friday night. A man named Dunn, it is stated, employed as a creamery man at Andes, was killed by being struck by a car driven by a son of Thomas Cowan of New Kingston, as the former was walking along the highway.

HOBART

Hobart, Dec. 24. — Miss Frances Cowan of Syracuse university is spending a two weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hector Cowan.—Dr. M. Latcher of Oneonta was a professional caller in Hobart on Sunday, called into consultation with Dr. Hubbell of Stamford for A. S. Carroll, who is seriously ill at his home on Main street. Professor Isaac Carroll and Charles Carroll of Syracuse are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents. John Cowan, an employe of the Certainteed products corporation of New York city is spending the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Cowan.

TOM SIMS SAYS

A woman who gave her husband bum cigars for Christmas tells us there are 741 new swear words.

And a man who gave a girl a diamond ring tells us three hours of hugging is not enough.

Kissing too long without looking up is dangerous. It may make your nose grow crooked.

Years ago, before so much rouge and powder, a man's suit didn't need cleaning so often.

You can take an old Christmas horn and use it for a funnel, if you ever need a funnel.

A thermometer can't read the weather man's forecasts.

To remove candy from the mustache inhale steaming soap until soft and comb out candy.

Candy may be removed from the hair by soaking your head over night in a bucket of kerosene.

Scrape the inside of a new pipe before smoking it or the fire wagon may call on you.

Christmas ties are all right. Everybody else wears them. Go on, don't be so self-conscious.

Our government is experimenting with hogs. Yes, real hogs. No, not office seekers.

Department of Agriculture is trying to teach hogs to bring home the bacon with more lean.

One seventeenth of the world's people live in the United States, and should be glad of it.

The United States spends more on education than the rest of the world, yet has so little.

There are 6,500,000 illiterates in the United States, which is ignorance on their part.

Candy may be gradually worn off the seat of the trousers by putting sandpaper in the chairs.

You might pay less—and you could pay more. But in either case you would probably fail to get anything nearly so invitingly delicious as Hy-[illegible]

Big dance at Jay's hall, Davenport Center, Wednesday evening, December 26. Dancing from 9 until 1. Colier's orchestra. advt 2t

Now for the Big Noise

REIGNING BEAUTY.

Miss Dina Roberts, who was selected as the Queen of the Georgia-Florida Fair, which has just been held at Valdosta, Ga.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their kindness during our recent bereavement in the loss of our loved wife and mother; the minister for his comforting words; also all who sent flowers and furnished cars.

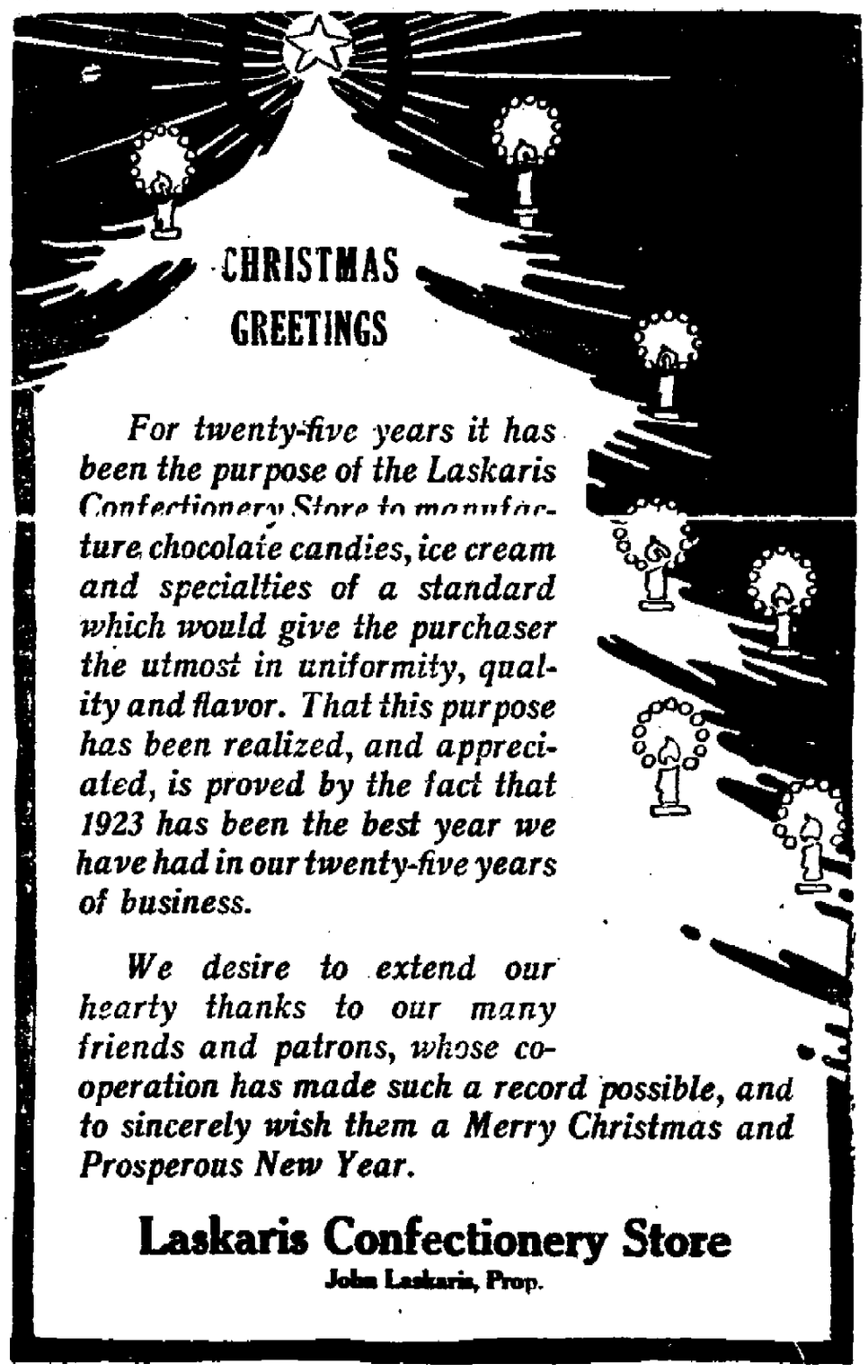
Walter James,
Hazel James,
Mrs. Wm. Churchill,
Mrs. Howard Decker,
Floyd Holley.

Merry Christmas to All

Gardner's

When blows the wintry wind
May thy restless spirit find
Peace and joy of Christmastide
That will aye with thee abide

WINDSOR HOTEL, Chestnut St.



For twenty-five years it has been the purpose of the Laskaris Confectionery Store to manufacture chocolate candies, ice cream and specialties of a standard which would give the purchaser the utmost in uniformity, quality and flavor. That this purpose has been realized, and appreciated, is proved by the fact that 1923 has been the best year we have had in our twenty-five years of business.

We desire to extend our hearty thanks to our many friends and patrons, whose co-operation has made such a record possible, and to sincerely wish them a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Laskaris Confectionery Store
John Laskaris, Prop.

Season's Greetings

In time of Christmas holly
And candles' mellow light
May thy hearth be jolly
And every prospect bright

For a Merry Christmas
and
A Happy New Year

Buckley Bros. Laundry